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WOMAN'S PAGE.**SCOTLAND FOR EVER!**

SCOTS WAE HAE!

ORIGINAL EVENING
FROCKS.

St. Andrew's Ball, and the frocks which we intend to wear for it, are probably the chief topics of feminine conversation just now, so it is not inappropriate to devote a part of the first column of this page—given up to frills and frivolities—to the discussion of some of the charming and original evening gowns which I saw at "The Aerie."

Since I have started by calling these frocks "original" let me tell you first about one which most truly deserves this adjective, and is at the same time among the very prettiest. It is made of tulle with a short fitting bodice and a long skirt, ankle length at the back. The top is pale yellow, while the full skirt is made of bands of uneven widths, of pale yellow, pale green and pink. The description sounds rather like that of a Neapolitan ice cream, but the effect is charming.

For the girl who likes a fluffy frock is one of pink satin having a very full over skirt of silk net. The hip line is interesting and very slenderizing and a stitched belt gives the important suggestion of a normal waist.

Extremely chic is a gown of black ring velvet with a wonderfully cut circular skirt which falls into clever folds in front. The long line is emphasised by a pendant panel from one shoulder, and the severity lightened by a touch of very good strass embroidery on the shoulder straps.

A very becoming frock for a younger girl is carried out in madonna blue georgette. It is cut on princess lines and the whole dress is made in about inch wide tucks. A tuck of a darker blue indicates a fairly high waist line, and running slightly up in front gives emphasis to the youthful line.

I saw, too, one perfectly delightful evening coat of pinky floral brocade made with a low set frill which gives the rhythmic backward line, and graceful bell sleeves.

For the small people I saw in Whiteaway, Laidlaw's flussy dressing gowns and various sorts of coats. There are some well cut tweed coats for little boys, referees, and fluffy teddy bear coats for small girls.

THE FLOWERS.

THAT BLOOM—IN WINTER.

The flowers that bloom in winter on the white shoulders of my lady

in the evening are approaching more and more nearly in appearance to real blossoms. Pamela has just received a box of these lovely ornaments. Among them is an orchid, in a curious yellow green, made of painted satin which looks so exactly like a real flower that one fears to touch it lest its freshness should be marred. There is a tea rose, in chiffon velvet of a lovely pink backed with leaves which have been toned by autumn. A bouquet of two large *prince rose* convolvulus flowers is also very delicately made of painted satin. Less real looking, but no less lovely, is a bunch of geraniums in chiffon velvet, also in the new yellow green.

I saw, too, some lovely evening bags of silk and brocade with jewelled mounts, and was told that a collection of evening frocks was to be unpacked to-day.



Smart dress of navy satin
crêpe printed with grey flowers.
The draped bodice wears a skirt
cut in irregular lengths.

OF HATS, AND A WOMAN.

ALSO SOME FROCKS.

The theme of hats, and a woman is, as old as that which Homer chose and yet, to women at least, it never stales. I need ask no apology then, for taking my women readers once more into the Dolly Vardon Hat Shop.

A big shipment of hats is expected on Monday, but there is a wide choice of very desirable models still to be found on the shelves. The new ecote brown shades, which are so fashionable this winter are well represented in a variety of smart shapes in felt. Most of them have the long back but there are a few, with a small brim of the favourite *clouche* persuasion. The deeper wine red shades are also very good this season, and I saw a good collection of hats in these colours. Black is, as I predicted, having a big vogue, and there is a fairly wide range of tan and grey beiges.

It seems to me that hats are more becoming than ever this season. The Egyptian helmet seemed a trifle strange at first but now most of us are agreed upon its chic, and certainly the new styles are softer and easier to wear than the very severe lines of last winter.

I believe some more sports wear is expected. There are a few of those excellent tailored woollen suits left and two or three jersey frocks. They were so very attractive this year that most of them sold as soon as they were unpacked.

For the dance season a few smart little American frocks have just been imported. Among them is one with the new high waist line, the bodice being of good tissue and the long full skirt of fine silk net in the same shade. A similar design is carried out in rose pink satin and net. Very smart are a couple of tulle frocks one *vieux rose*, and the other shot blue and violet, each with a semi-bustle bow placed behind the left hip. Brown, the newest evening shade of all, is well represented by a picture frock of tan tulle with pipings of pale apple green, and a flower on hip and shoulder.

A WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY.

SALE OF SMART GOWNS.

Rolande Sarraut has, as you probably know, removed from Asiatic Building to the 3rd floor of Prud'homme Building. A removal sale, at which it is intended to clear out all the present stock, is beginning to-day and offers a wonderful opportunity to secure real bargains. Madame herself will be there. She has just returned from an extended buying tour in Paris, and it is in order to make room for new goods that the sale is being held. We all know that there are sales and sales, but never, I think, have I seen such wholesale reductions. Frocks for afternoon and evening wear are all being marked down from \$100 to \$30, many of them were originally well over the hundred dollar mark. Of course, there is always an element of risk about buying a silk frock that has been in stock for any time, but when it is a question of a real Paris model, in an advance style, being offered for so humble a sum, it is really no gamble at all. You will get more than your money's worth if you only wear it a few times, and none of these sale goods are in any sense old stock.

There are among the evening gowns some exquisite beaded models, and others in tulle. I noted, too, some lovely afternoon dresses of georgette and some silk jumper suits which were perfectly lovely and looked as if they had just been unpacked.

Included in the sale is a new collection of genuine felt hats which have been marked down.

If Rolande Sarraut's new premises are not packed to the doors to-day, they will be to-morrow when the glad tidings has been circulated by those who have secured some of these wonderful bargains.

NEW YORK AND PARIS.

SEND DANCE FROCKS
TO FELIX.

The Felix Hat Shop has also been preparing for St. Andrew's Ball and the winter festivities in general. They have a collection of very smart and attractive frocks from New York and Paris, and I was interested to notice how different is the American and French interpretations of the mode—though it is hard to say which is the more chic. That depends really upon the individual wearer.

Among the models from New York is one in a heavy weight *crêpe de chine* in chartreuse green. It is cut with a fitting bodice and a long skirt, which dips slightly at the back. A little shirring round the hip line and a big bustle bow set at the back of the left hip provides all the necessary trimming. Basting lines are introduced into an apparently simple dress of deep gold *crêpe de chine* also from New York. A diamond shaped piece let into the bodice, back and front, develops, at the back, into a bustle bow with long ends giving the suggestion of a train, and in front into a cleverly cut hip yoke. Pink faille is used for a very charming dress with a full three tiered skirt which is cut long at the back and up in front. An interesting trimming is the necklace of strass which falls to below the waist, crossing the nape of the neck well above the deep U of the corsage. Like the other American models this frock is cut with the neck line considerably lower at the back than the front.

Among the French frocks is a very slender little dress of orchid silk net with lace insertions. It has a very long skirt and the neck is finished with a demure looking fichu. Another French gown is of palma violet georgette over a full slip of tulle in the same shade. The skirt is, of course, long and full, and has *appliqué* round the hem pieces of *crêpe de chine*, satin and tulle in graded shades of violet. A big bustle bow of the same three materials is posed behind the left hip. A black panne velvet gown has a yoke of pink lace over which runs a scalloped "bib" of the velvet in front, running down to the waist behind.

A gift that any woman would appreciate this Christmas—a cushion. You will find a lovely selection at various prices at Whiteaway, Laidlaw's.

HANDBAGS.

ARE LARGER AND VERY
SMART.

Fashions in handbags change now-a-days nearly as quickly as those of dresses and hats, the reason being, of course, the persistence of the ensemble as an ideal of dress. A last year's bag is almost sure to mar an advance style ensemble of this season. Bags are now larger than they have been for some time, but their size is subordinated to their appearance. Like its owner a bag must be slim, and extraordinary ingenuity has gone to the designing of *pochette* and envelope bags which can carry the things necessary to the happiness of the modern woman without losing their shapely slenderness. That a bag may, however, if it is very smart, indeed, be plump, is illustrated by a little bolster shaped bag of real crocodile in a bright tan which is among the new collection now on view in Lane, Crawford's.

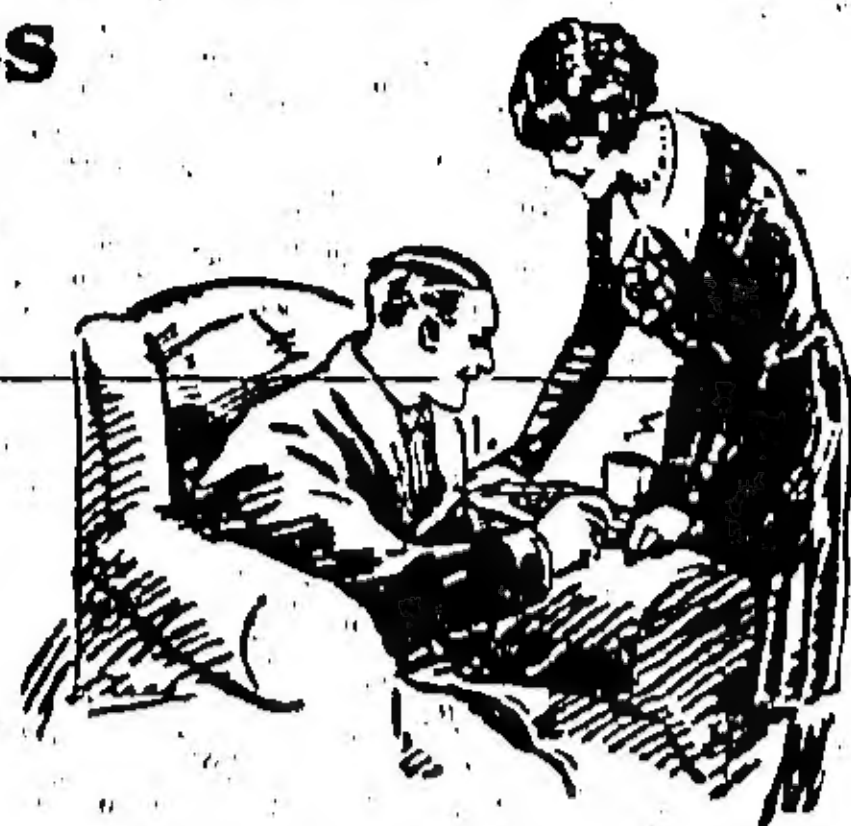
Polished snakeskin makes a very chic envelope bag, while another in similar shape is made of tan morocco with a V of stripes one of beige leather and the other of black patent. Black patent makes a very novel bag which has two openings, one for business and the other for pleasure. It opens at the top with a zipper and discloses a fairly roomy interior fitted with a purse. The whole front opens again like an envelop to disclose a large mirror, comb and powder purse.

The only very big bag is one intended for travelling. It is in blue morocco and fastens with a zipper. Splendidly fitted up inside it accommodates the greatest number of things with the utmost compactness. A very smart afternoon bag is of *crêpe de chine* with a motif finish. It has a gold mount and a *tête de nègre* silk tassel hangs over the front.

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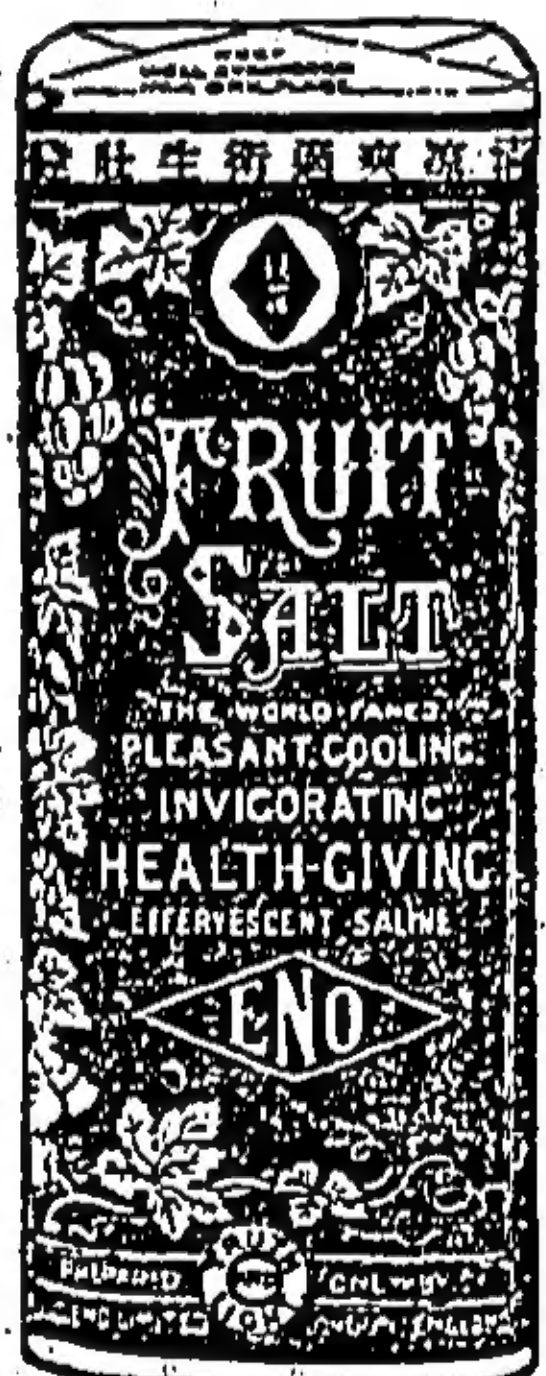
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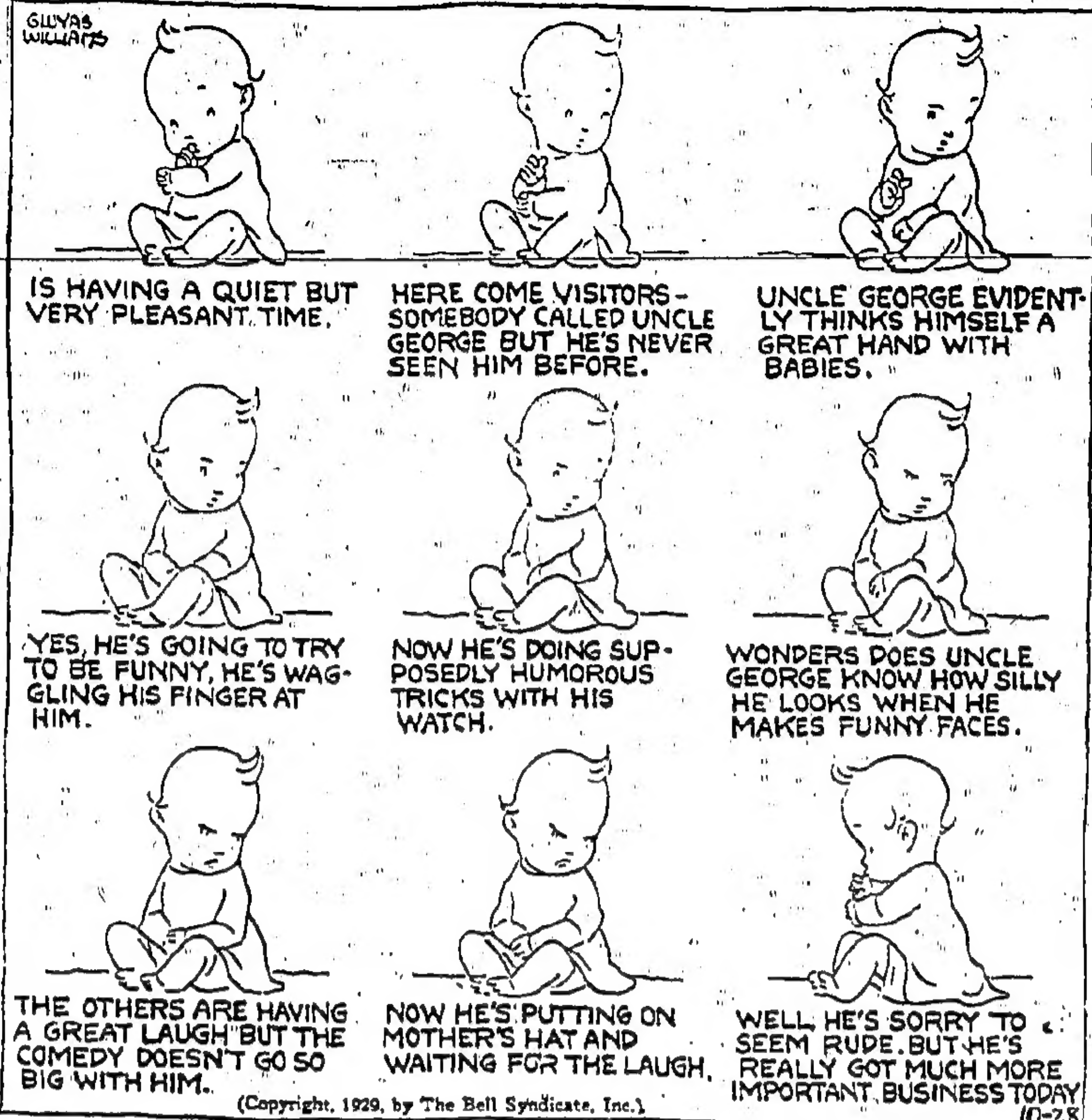
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WOMAN'S PAGE

SNAPSHOTS OF A BABY WATCHING A COMEDIAN

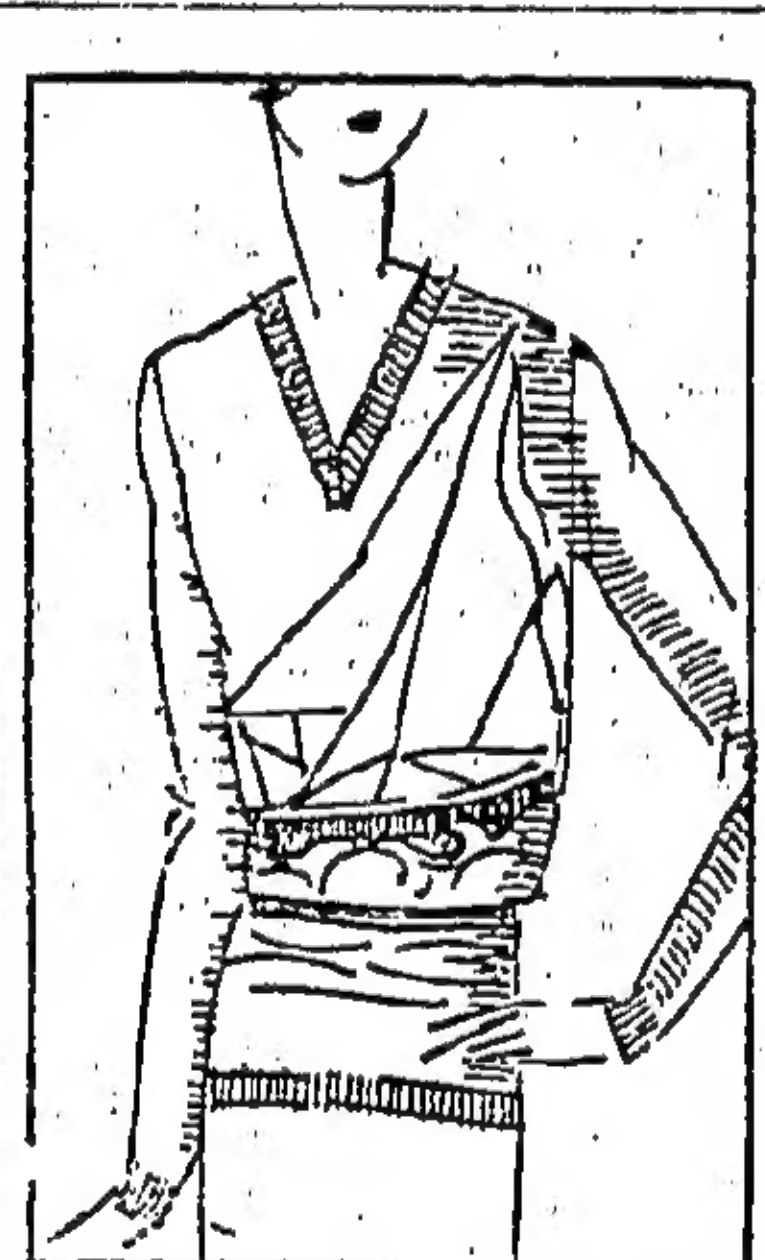
By GLUYAS WILLIAMS



WARM WOOLIES.

FOR THE COLDER DAYS.

How was it, I wonder, that we ever did without the knitted jersey, coats, pullovers, and frocks which seem so essential a part of our lives now-a-days? Cardigans were the first to come into fashion, in about 1910 if I remember rightly, and since then the popularity of knitted outerwear has steadily increased.



Knitted into the jersey of this pullover is a yacht with all sails set.

An attractive new version of the cardigan has been introduced to the Colony by Eve. Among the collection of "woolies" which I was looking at in this shop a couple of days ago, I saw a sleeveless coat, of orange jersey, with a long scarf collar. The scarf can be worn in the usual fashion, twisted round the neck with one end thrown over the shoulder, or if the cardigan is worn under another coat it can be folded down neatly inside the inner coat and then appears like a scarf.

There are also nice sleeveless coats and waistcoats in fairly bright knitted tweed designs, and cardigans with sleeves in shetland wool in a wide range of plain colours and stripes. Among the three piece ensembles I remarked one in a heavy weight wool in a deep rose wood colour. Very pretty is a three piece of leaf green jersey, the jumper being a silk and wool mixture with a silvery sheen, trimmed with bands of the plain green. View one jersey makes another three piece of which the jumper is woven with a stripe in a deeper tone trimmed with the plain, while the coat has collar and cuffs of the striped material.

I liked very much a frock with a two piece effect in green and beige. The top is green woven with a narrow gold thread line, while the skirt of warm beige is set into pleats.

New Knicker ORX silk stockings have arrived at the Pioneer Silk Store. This is a medium weight for general use, with a silk top.

BIRR-R!

WARM COMFORT FOR COLD NIGHTS.

I don't know whether it is the North wind which brings the cold in this place—and frankly I don't much care—but there is no doubt that the nights are getting more and more chilly and warm bedding more and more necessary in consequence. A certain amount can be done with a hot water bottle, but it should, for real bed comfort, be an additional luxury rather than a necessity. What is necessary is warm, light, bed coverings.

And so to Whiteaway, Laidlaw's. Here you will find those excellent "Early warm" blankets, which will give you long and faithful service. Even more luxurious are lamba wool Wincey blankets bound with satin. You can get them in white and in the prettiest pastel shades. And an eiderdown, that most delightful of winter night comforts. You will find a wide choice, of eiderdowns covered in satin or in cotton. The single bed sizes run from \$18.50 and the double from \$49.50. The colour range is wide and some of the designs are very handsome indeed, altogether they make a most colourful and tempting display.

Pioneer News.

Among the new goods unpacked this week at the Pioneer Silk Store, are some nice directoire knickers in Alencon silk, and others in Celanese. They can either of them be had in white, pink, beige, or black. The Celanese knickers have an insertion of lace just above the knee. Among a pile of newly arrived printed pyjamas, I found one in a pale rose pink with a large, flower design, which looked as if hand painted, in tones of blue and dull orange. Another with a black ground has a green and cherry flower design. Very pretty, I thought, was a third design of grey and black leaves in white.

Very welcome, I think, will be some lovely thick black satin for coats. It is reversible, the other side being heavily corded, and should make up very smartly using both surfaces of the material. A second black satin in a thinner weight has one fine corded surface and the other like a lustrous crepe de chine. A delightful range of French colour has arrived in "Petal Chine," the English silk which is so good for undies of all sorts.

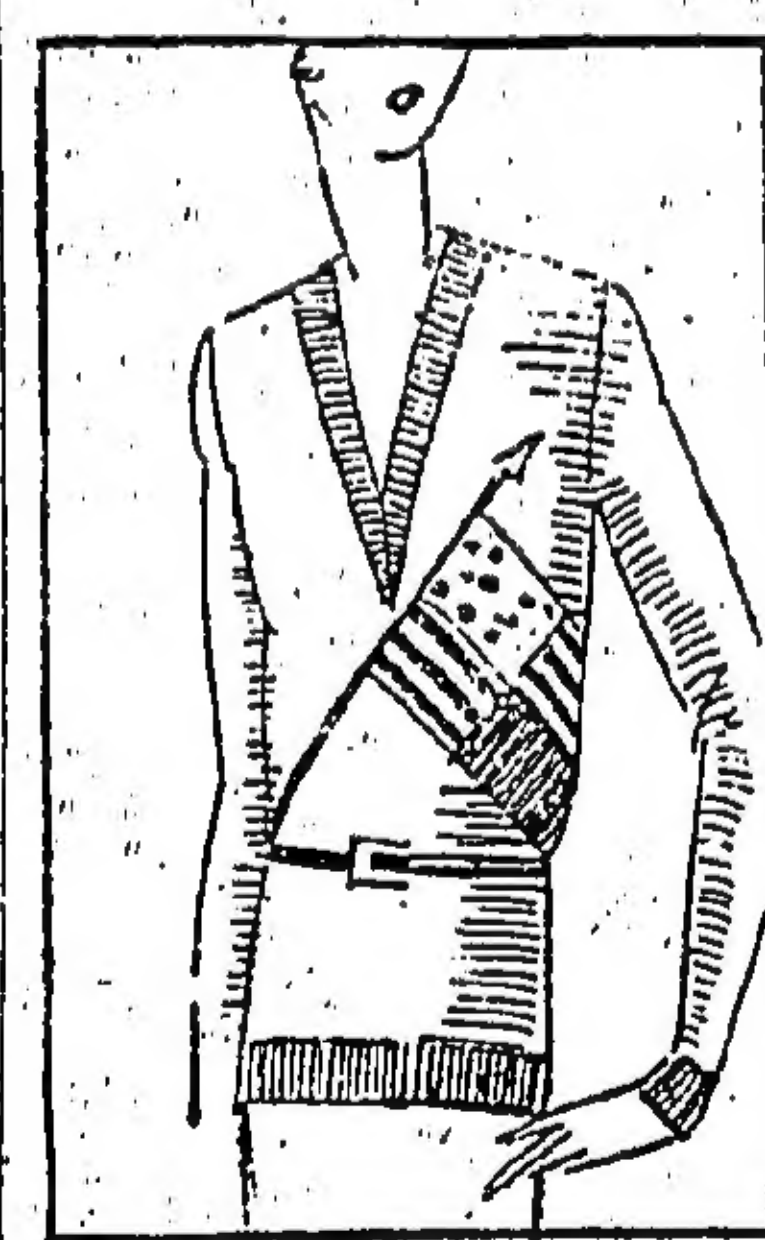
The girl who makes her own frocks, of has them made by a tailor, will find an excellent choice of woollen materials now at Whiteaway, Laidlaw's. There are some coat or dress tweeds, mostly in the fashionable brown, shades, and a variety of other materials—dark velvets, plain, checked and striped. The former cost \$4.50 a yard. There is also a good selection of blazer flannels in various colours.

CHRISTMAS.

CARDS CALENDARS AND PARTIES.

It is quite time to be doing more than thinking about Christmas cards and presents, and to-day is your last chance to get cards or calendars for friends at home if you wish them to reach there in time. The mail goes to-morrow at 10.30 a.m. It seems a pity to drift out of friendship with many of those whom we knew well in England, even though letters take up a lot of time, when a small reminder at Christmas, which takes but a minute to select and a few cents to buy, will keep us in each other's memory.

The Book and Bible Depot in Wyndham Street is a happy hunting ground for these small mementoes, and once you get inside you will be fascinated by the quite extraordinary variety of books on the shelves. But to return to Christmas cards, etc. There are some boxes of six cards, with envelopes, in very good style which range from 50 cents the box to \$2.25, besides these a big choice is offered of single cards, both English and Chinese.



This woollen jumper has a large flag knitted in on the left side.

There are calendars of every sort. Block calendars with artistic pictures, and a series with amusing cut out figures. Full month picture calendars and those useful little purse ones which cost 10 cents a piece. Very original is a side bookmarker, with a tiny book tucked into a pocket, in which to keep a list of "Books I have read." This would be a very good form of Christmas card for a friend who is a great reader. Other side bookmarkers there are too, some with an amusing or wise remark upon them. I saw too that there is a good selection of those Dennison's tags, ribbons, etc., which help so much to make a gift look "Christmasy."

There are some most useful boxes of paper napkins and doilies for parties, and a wonderful selection of children's books and unusual toys.

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Lane, Crawford's stock, "Kestos" brassieres in white jap silk, pink batiste, and fern lace over pink silk voile.

BARE LEGS AT A DANCE.

The bare legs worn with a white evening gown by a pretty young actress on the opening night of London's newest restaurant have caused an uncertain amount of comment. Now this attractive pair of legs was almost as white—as the Scots balladist's phrase—as the driven snow. In other words, it was, to the onlooker, not so much a pair of legs as a gesture; and a most discreet gesture at that, for these legs were not readily distinguishable from flesh-coloured stockings.

Will this new gesture be copied? The pros and cons seem to be as follows:—

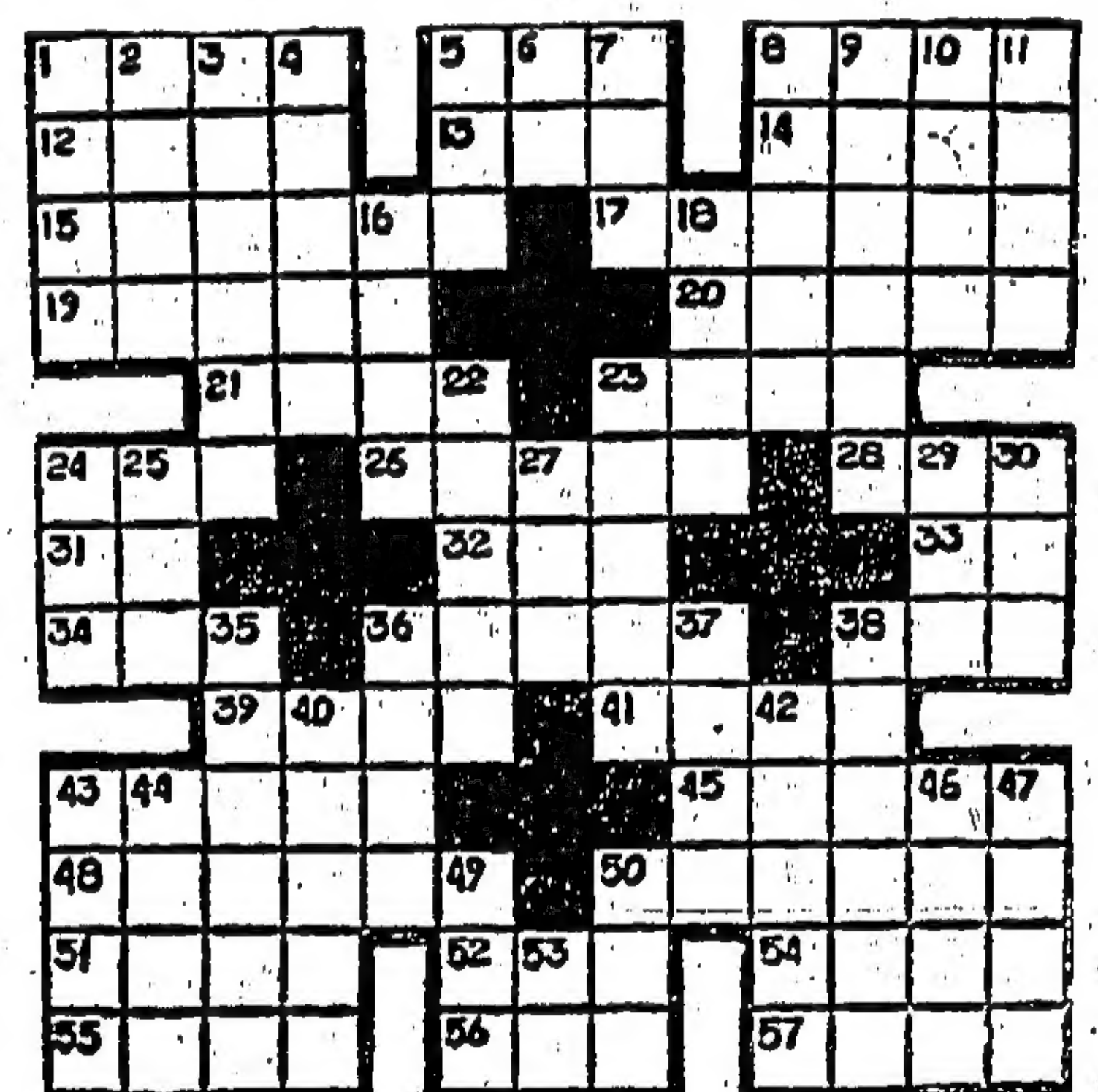
Pro: It is praiseworthy to attempt to harmonise, in pleasing bareness, the shoulders, back, arms and legs of the feminine form.

Con: The smooth, silken sinuosity of the stockinged leg is more pleasant.

Pro: There would be no worry about keeping up stockings.

Con: The new long evening gowns with their waist lines will involve the wearing of apparatus that will make the support of stockings mere child's play.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



Horizontal.

- 1.—Part of church.
- 6.—Convulsive sigh.
- 8.—Money.
- 12.—Transaction.
- 13.—Age.
- 14.—Capable.
- 15.—To scheme.
- 17.—More impetuous.
- 19.—Hard rock.
- 20.—Packs.
- 21.—Cog wheel.
- 23.—Wharf.
- 24.—High card.
- 28.—Girl's name.
- 29.—Juice of plant.
- 31.—To depart.
- 32.—Furniture moving cart.
- 33.—To perform.
- 34.—Finish.
- 36.—To bring.
- 38.—Spot.
- 39.—Goddess of discord.
- 41.—Prefix: half.
- 43.—Intrigue.
- 45.—Competitor.
- 48.—Lessened.
- 50.—To ridicule.
- 51.—To award.
- 52.—A grain.
- 54.—To revise.
- 55.—Snow vehicle.
- 56.—A tree.
- 57.—Places.

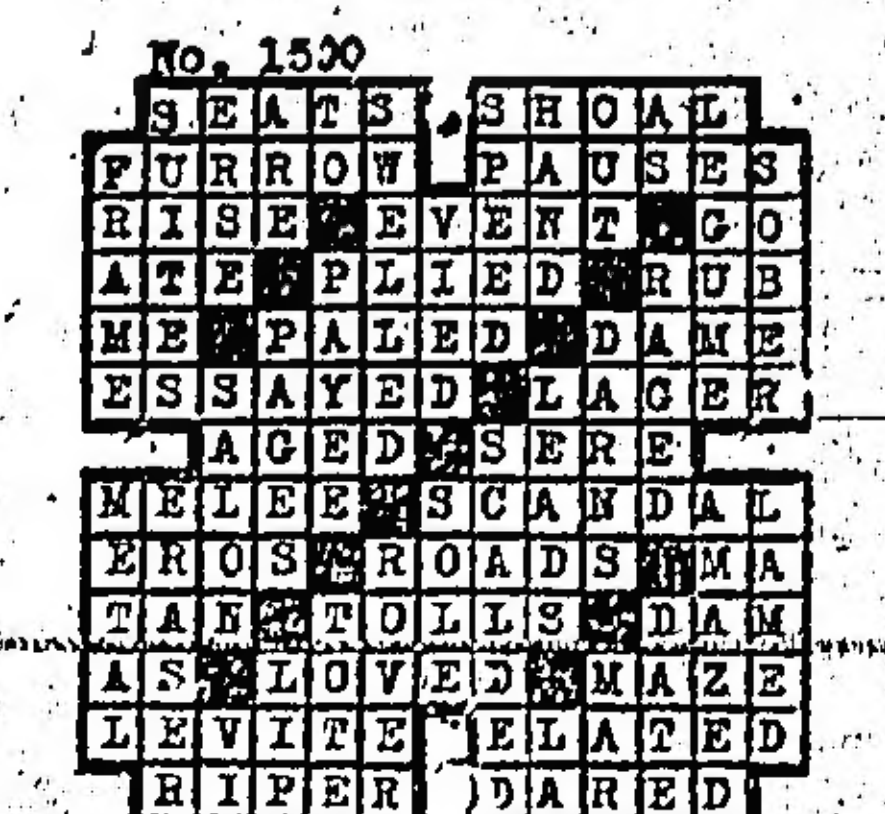
Vertical.

- 1.—Unitas.
- 2.—Rind.
- 3.—Uncivilized.
- 4.—The choice part.
- 5.—To observe.
- 6.—Conjunction.
- 7.—Lawyers collectively.
- 8.—Social rank.
- 9.—Despises.
- 10.—Killed.
- 11.—Possessive pronoun.

- 16.—Juncture.
- 18.—A continent.
- 22.—Rings.
- 23.—To nip.
- 24.—Extent of life.
- 25.—To study closely.
- 27.—A rodent.
- 29.—Fuss.
- 30.—Vessel.
- 33.—Argument.
- 36.—Abrading tool.
- 37.—At this place.
- 38.—To separate.
- 40.—Classified.
- 42.—Sticks in mud.
- 43.—Protruding piece on wheel.
- 44.—Cain's brother.
- 46.—Mine opening.
- 47.—Permits.
- 48.—Moistureless.
- 50.—Moisture.
- 53.—Old pronoun.

This puzzle took 23 minutes to solve. See how long it will take you to solve it.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



and now to bed!



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DEFENCE'S COUNTER-CHARGES.

A well known Chinese Government building contractor, Lai Tin Fook, living at 117, Nathan Road, Kowloon, was summoned before Mr. W. Schofield at Kowloon Magistrate's yesterday at the instance of his wife for failing to provide for her as a *fat wife*.

Mr. K. C. E. Rendall prosecuted on behalf of the wife, while Mr. J. M. Remedios appeared for the husband.

Outlining the case, Mr. Rendall said that the complainant and defendant had been married for over 20 years. They lived peacefully together until the recent arrival of a concubine, to whom the defendant transferred his affections. Since that time they had quarrelled and the husband had beaten her on several occasions, and even threatened her at the point of a pistol.

The trouble arose last year, when the defendant wished to marry his eldest daughter to a rich man living in Hong Kong. The daughter was already in love with a young man who was working in the Customs Office at Shanghai. The mother favoured the Shanghai suitor and early last year took her daughter to Shanghai to be married. The father had already offered to give his daughter a dowry of \$20,000 if she consented to marry the man of his choice, and on his daughter's refusal he threatened that if she married the other man he would have nothing more to do with her.

The mother, however, took the daughter to Shanghai and returned about six months later. The defendant then threw her out of the house refusing to have anything to do with her. The eldest son attempted to intervene and was also thrown out. The complainant came to see him (Mr. Rendall) for Chinese Affairs to see if something could be done. The defendant refused to have anything to do with the wife and the summons was issued.

Continuing Mr. Rendall said that the defendant was now a wealthy man. He was once a poor man and his wife had helped him to success. At the time of their marriage the defendant was unemployed. She loaned him money with which he started business, finally accumulating the fortune that he has to-day. The defendant now owned 10 houses in Mongkok, a house in Nathan Road and land in Homantin, and was worth something over \$300,000.

Mother of Twelve Children.

Giving evidence, the complainant said that she married the defendant as his *fat wife* when she was 17. She was betrothed to him when she was 13. The defendant was 24 years of age at the time. She was 43 now and had borne twelve children to him, seven of whom were alive to-day. The eldest son was married and the eldest daughter was recently married. The other children were from 12 to 7 years of age.

Recently the defendant had treated her very badly. He had several times seized her by the neck and nearly throttled her, and had beaten her. Once he threatened her with a revolver.

That occurred the year before last and instigated by the concubine. The servants and children were present when the incident took place.

Speaking of her husband's domestic affairs witness said that there were three concubines. The other two had left the defendant many years ago. It was since the arrival of the third concubine that her husband's affection had been transferred.

The Daughter's Marriage.

Her eldest daughter was married in Shanghai to a man named Chiu. She accompanied her daughter to Shanghai for the marriage. Defendant told her that the girl married this man "it would save his pocket as he wouldn't give her any money." "Do what you like and please yourself," he said. A dowry of \$20,000 had been promised if the daughter married according to paternal orders.

The eldest daughter had known the man in Shanghai for five years and became betrothed to him on January 25, and the wedding took place on June 16. Witness paid all the expenses for the marriage which cost her \$3,000. The defendant contributed nothing towards this. The money was what she had saved during the years of her marriage.

Witness said that she returned to Hong Kong on October 6.

An Amah Occupies Her Room.

She returned to the house at about 3.20 p.m. and had a conversation with the defendant. He said sarcastically, "You have married your daughter to such a rich man, now why don't you live with him?" She replied that this was her home. She spoke to the children who told her that the amah, Ah Si, was sleeping in her room. She immediately suspected her husband and asked for the dismissal of the amah. Defendant replied "This is my house, not yours. You had better get out at once." He attempted to push her out and she fell down.

The concubine, wash amah, children and household servants witnessed this incident.

Witness was asked if the defendant had engaged the amah, and she replied that the defendant was present when the amah was engaged, and had presumably agreed to her employment.

Friendly With the Amah.

Mr. Rendall: Was the defendant on friendly terms with the amah?—Witness replied that on occasions the defendant would send his daughter with food for the amah upstairs during meal hours. The defendant had also admired the amah referring to her as being "good."

Mr. Remedios: To interpret—"Not pretty?"

Interpreter: No, only good. During the quarrel, her eldest son attempted to interfere and pacify both parties but it only resulted in his being chased out of the house. She refused to be sent away and defendant continued to abuse her from 4.30 p.m. to 7 p.m. when he forcibly pushed her out of the house and locked the door.

Witness went to the Police Station across the street and reported the matter and asked for assistance. A European Inspector accompanied her to the door of her house, but the defendant, who opened it, refused to take her back. Witness then went back to her mother's house in Portland Street. The eldest son also came there to stay. The younger children still lived with the defendant and she saw them frequently.

His Wife's Help.

When she married the defendant witness said that he was unemployed. He was now a building contractor and very well off, being worth over \$300,000. On their marriage her father looked after him and kept him and gave him work. Later the defendant left her father and witness gave him \$3,000 of her own money which he had saved to start business. Success did not come at once and he failed on many occasions.

She lost her money and was obliged to pawn her jewellery given her as a dowry. On one occasion the defendant was so in debt that he was obliged to abscond. She borrowed \$5,000 so that he could carry on a job in the New Territories. Since then he had prospered.

Mr. Rendall: So that his present position to-day is due in no small measure to you?—"Yes."

Witness said that the property brought in an income of nearly \$1,000 a month. Witness herself had no money. Her jewellery in the possession of the defendant was worth about \$1,000, including a ring worth \$550.

Chinese Customs Broken?

Mr. Remedios put it to the witness that her husband found a note which she had addressed to a man named Chan Lau who was attending a school on the upper floor of their flat. Witness denied this, and said it was untrue.

Mr. Remedios: As a result of this there was very serious trouble between you and your husband?

Witness replied that many years ago a man named Chan Hoi Sun had approached her mother with a proposal to marry her (witness). Mr. Remedios remarked that that man's alias was Chan Lau. Witness replied that he was not the same man.

Witness also denied having secretly met the man Chan Lau six years after her marriage. She had adopted the son of the man named Chan Hon Sun (the former suitor) who was now working at the S.C.A.

Solicitor put it to witness that whenever she went to the Theatre, or entertainment places she was accompanied by this man Chan whom the children called "Four Eyes," on account of his glasses. Witness replied that "there was nothing in it," and that the children had called him "uncle."

The defence made allegations of unfaithfulness to the husband and suggested that she was sent out of the house because she left of her own accord, without giving any reason, and had stayed away for a lengthy period. On returning her husband had intimated that as she had chosen to go away she might stay away altogether.

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ST. JOHN'S
CATHEDRAL.

NEW ORDINANCE
APPROVED.

TWO TRUSTEES APPOINTED.

An Extraordinary General Meeting of St. John's Cathedral was held in the Cathedral Hall last evening to consider and approve of the proposed Church of England Trust Ordinance and to elect two persons to represent St. John's Cathedral on the Body of Trustees to be constituted by the proposed Ordinance. The Very Rev. Dean Swann presided, supported by the Hon. Secretary, Mr. W. L. Patten.

Alterations and Amendments.

In the course of his remarks, the Dean observed that details of the Ordinance had already been made public. The Ordinance had been before Members for over two years but had recently been enlarged to include many improvements in its machinery.

Just before Sir Henry Pollock left the Colony, said the speaker, it was found necessary to have a Member of the Legislative Council to father the bill and Sir Henry was asked to propose it. He agreed but suggested that certain alterations be made and the Attorney-General (Sir Joseph Kemp, K.C.) had drawn up the necessary amendments.

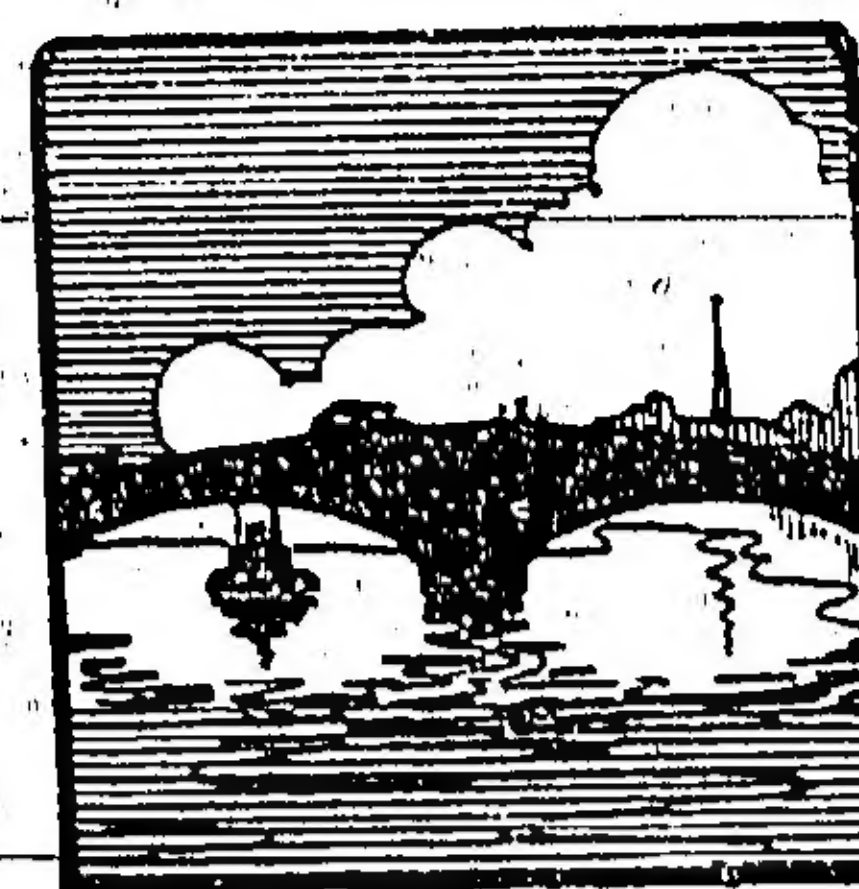
The objects and reasons of the Bill stated that the Ordinance repealed the St. John's Cathedral Ordinance (1899) and the Church Property Vesting Ordinance (1904) and constitutes one central incorporated authority to hold and administer all the property of the Church of England in Hong Kong. The amendments were more or less of a verbal nature and made no drastic alterations in the text of the Ordinance.

Upon a motion put forward by Prof. L. Forster, seconded by Col. Christian, the meeting decided unanimously to approve of the Bill as drafted, together with the suggested alterations and amendments.

Upon the Dean's proposition, seconded by Mr. Blaker, the meeting elected Messrs. W. L. Patten and P. Jacks to represent St. John's Cathedral on the Body of Trustees to be constituted by the proposed Ordinance.

In this connection, the Dean expressed regret that Mr. Patten would soon be leaving the Colony but, notwithstanding that fact he was more than pleased to put forward his name.

Witness denied these allegations, and said that the whole trouble arose over her protest about the amah sleeping in her room. The hearing was adjourned until November 25, at 11.30 a.m.

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DETAILS OF CHARGES.

Mr. Noel Instone Brewer, who was arrested on a warrant in Shanghai, was brought before Mr. A. W. G. H. Grantham yesterday when the charges against him were read over by the Magistrate.

Mr. Grantham then fixed Tuesday, November 26, for the hearing of the case, and allowed Mr. Brewer bail—\$500 in cash and two sureties of \$1,500 each.

The Charges.

The charges were as follows:—
1. For that you, Noel Instone Brewer, on the 16th day of August, 1927, in a Statutory report, made and filed by you on the said date and which report you were authorised to make by the provisions of the Companies Ordinance of 1911, and on behalf of the Instone Banking Corporation Limited did knowingly and wilfully make, (otherwise than on oath), a statement false in a material particular, to wit, that the assets of the said company consisted of accounts receivable, amounting to \$221,360.57; of collateral securities and loans amounting to \$340,630; of mortgage and long term loans amounting to \$266,630; and of stocks shares and other investments amounting to \$484,831.80; and of uncalculated capital, amounting to \$1,420,930; with intent to deceive shareholders of the said Corporation and to induce persons to become shareholders or to entrust, or to advance money to the said Corporation; contrary to section 21 of the Larceny Ordinance No. 3 of 1953.

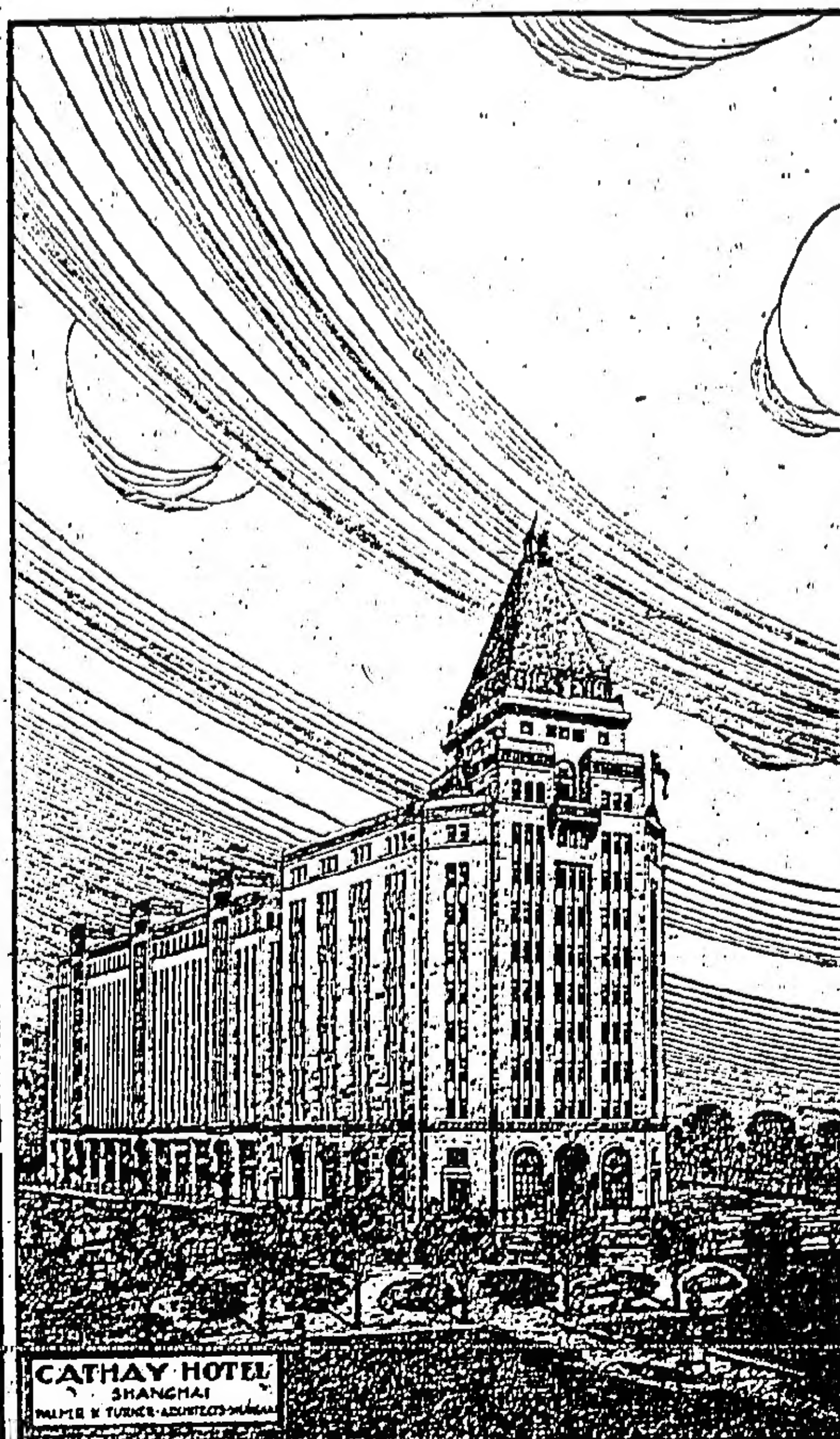
2. For that you, Noel Instone Brewer, on the 9th day of July, 1928, in a balance sheet dated the 6th day of August, 1928, for the period ending the 30th day of April, 1928, filed by you on behalf of the Instone Banking Corporation Ltd.,

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TROOPS FROM NANKING.

CANTON ON THE DEFENSIVE.

THE RIVAL FORCES COMPARED.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, Nov. 21.

The Kwangsi troops, under Li Tsung Jen, are invading Kwangtung via the West River and driving rapidly towards Shuihing. Wuchow has been made the Kwangsi base, and the civil population is in a very unhappy state, all shops being shut and business at a standstill. Telegraphic communication with Canton has stopped and the wireless station was wrecked by Canton troops before they left the town.

Meanwhile the Cantonese are preparing to defend Shuihing and then Sanhsui. Trenches are being dug and Admiral Chen Chak's gunboats are patrolling the river. The air force is also expected to play a big part in the campaign. The dispositions are as follows:—Three divisions in the West River, Tsai Ting Kai's men being at Shuihing and the remainder under Heung Hon Ping at Sanhsui; two Canton divisions and one from Kiangsi in the North River zone.

Marshal Chiang Kai Shek has telegraphed to General Chen Tsai Tong ordering him to stand on the defensive and, at all costs, to prevent the enemy reaching Canton. Meanwhile the two divisions of Nanking troops sent down here at the opening of the hostilities (the 3rd and 5th Divisions) and then recalled, are again being sent south and as soon as they arrive they are to go to the North River front.

The opinion in Canton is that if Chen Tsai Tong can hold the "Ironside" at bay till the arrival of these reinforcements he has a very good chance of saving Canton.

"COUNTING HIS CHICKENS!"

The Canton Chamber of Commerce has received a letter from Chang Fat Fui, stating that he is about to enter Canton and wants \$1,000,000 for military expenses as soon as he gets here. The "Ironside" leader has also ordered the Chamber to remove the monument erected on the corner of Tai Hong and Wing Hon Roads recording the Communist holocaust in Canton on December 11, 1927, and stating that Chang Fat Fui was the leader of this upheaval. The Chamber disregarded the letter.

The main body of the "Ironside" is reported to be still in the north-western corner of Kwangtung. They are concentrating their forces in Yangshan and Lingshan preparatory to an advance on Ying-tak. They are reported to be waiting for the Kwangsi troops to reach a certain place on the West River before launching their offensive.

WUCHOW OCCUPIED.

According to a Naval wireless message from Wuchow, dated Nov. 20, the evacuation of Wuchow by Cantonese troops was completed yesterday. A deputation of the City have proceeded to inform the Kwangsi troops of the fact, and request their taking over control of the town.

As there are plenty of armed police at Wuchow, the defencelessness of the City as previously reported, is not apparent.

It is expected that the Kwangsi troops will occupy Wuchow either to-day or to-morrow.

GERMAN "ADVISER" FOR CANTON.

OPPOSING FORCES ABOUT EQUAL.

It appears that General Chen Tsai Tong recently made a final appeal to General Yang Teng Fai and other Kwangsi leaders not to renew their allegiance to Li Tsung Jen and Wong Shui Hung against the Central Government. In reply, the Kwangsi generals said that they would comply with the request if Chiang Kai Shek retired. Failing that they would capture Kwangtung and use the province as a base for operations against the present regime in Nanking.

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NO WIZARDRY IN CANTON!

HARD-PRESSED GOVERNMENT'S EDICT.

THE CASE FOR THE BLACK ARTS.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, November 21.

The Canton Government has issued an edict against the black arts. After January 1, next, the practices of fortune telling, divination, astrology, etc., will be illegal and will be severely punished. The Government edict announces that all such forms of the "black arts" are superstitious and subversive and tend to undermine the morality of the people, and have no place in this age of scientific enlightenment and progress. Other Governments in other lands have made similar announcements—but fortune telling still flourishes, and it is unlikely that it will be killed in China, where it has an even deeper hold on the lives of the people.

The practices of astrology, fortune telling and geomancy in China date from time immemorial, and the Chinese, especially those of the illiterate classes, have always believed deeply in them. The selection of a suitable day for marriage or burial is in the hands of the astrologers.

A WITCHES' SABBATH!

A "witches and wizards" of Canton held a meeting to discuss what was to be done in the face of the edict, and addressed a lengthy petition to the Government asking for the cancellation of this mandate. The petition put forward four arguments. First, that astrology, fortune telling, geomancy, and divination as practiced in Canton were no different to those same arts as practiced in other countries, western and oriental. In Japan they were even looked on as a science, or philosophy.

Secondly, that the character depended upon facial formation, and if a person whose face proclaimed him to have bad tendencies is warned by one of the fraternity, he may turn over a new leaf before it is too late. If, on the other hand, a man is told that his face proclaims his virtuous inclinations, he will be excited and will strive to live up to the promise of his physical appearance. Thus astrology and divination are of service to humanity and should be encouraged rather than banned!

Thirdly, that China is far behind the west in industrial development and employment; it is hard to find even for the physically fit. Astrologers and their kin are mostly invalids who were driven to take up the black arts by economic oppression, environment and their physical disabilities. The edict will render them penniless and infinitely miserable.

Fourthly, the overwhelming majority of their fraternity are good in deed and intention. A few of them may be using their art to spread superstition and the petitioners have no objection to such black sheep being punished by law, but to stop the whole number from exercising their profession is to deprive them of livelihood.

The Government has as yet made no answer to this heart-rending appeal!

PLANES FOR KWANGTUNG.

(Wah Tsz Yat Pao.)

HANKOW, Nov. 21.

Chang Wai Cheung, director of the Aviation Department, has dispatched a number of aeroplanes to Kwangtung to assist the Kwangtung troops in their campaign against the insurgents.

General Chen sent an urgent appeal to Nanking and in reply a telegram has been received stating that a German adviser to the Government forces has been dispatched to Kwangtung to direct the operations, and that two divisions are also on their way.

Over 20,000 Kwangtung troops are said to be in the North River area and about 22,000 along the West River. The "Ironside" and Kwangsi army, combined, is probably about the same in numbers, but Kwangtung has in addition a useful air force and the naval forces.

CORRESPONDENCE.

HONG KONG NIGHTS.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS."]

Sir, I read with great interest a letter in to-day's *Daily Press* concerning Hong Kong's "need" of a *palais-de-dance*, replete, with paid partners, for the many superfluous young European males in the Colony.

I am very fond of dancing myself but, up to the moment, have only had the pleasure of one single dance with a European girl during the two years I have lived in the Colony, and that young lady was the daughter of my *tailor*.

It is not because I am such a poor dancer or socially "undesirable" that such a state of affairs has occurred, but merely, I take it, sheer force of circumstances. There are not enough English girls to go round.

I have been to several dances *en masse*, and I must really take off my hat to the young English girls who were present. The majority were by no means monopolized by one partner, but responded unselfishly time and again to the requests of other boys for friends for "the pleasure of the next." One felt sympathy for their obviously over-worked feet.

To such young men as myself, a *palais-de-dance* on the lines suggested by "Dancer" would certainly be a boon, and would probably not suffer from lack of patronage.

Perhaps some up-to-date and live business-man may see the possibilities of the idea!

On the other hand, "Dancer" should not decry too much the fact that Hong Kong is behind the times. With the advent of the "talkies" it is obvious that the Colony is desirous of keeping pace with the times but, obviously, our small population cannot be expected to attract up-to-date theatrical or revue companies.—Yours, etc.,

ANOTHER DANCER.

Hong Kong, November 21.

THAT PALAIS DE DANCE!

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS."]

Sir—Once again the cry arises from the younger section of the community for more hectic entertainment when office hours are over. This time, the heavy demand for excitement in the form of cabarets is toned down to a modest demand for a *palais-de-dance*.

I quite agree with "Dancer's" statements regarding the dearth of partners, etc., but doubt if his project would entirely meet with success. For one thing, I do not think there are sufficient Europeans in the Colony to ensure that the *palais* would be well patronized every night. A *palais-de-dance* relies upon regular and constant crowds, and spasmodic "full-floors" would not make such an establishment a commercial success here.

Another thing is, it is doubtful whether there is such a craze for dancing here as "Dancer" makes out. The climate of Hong Kong does not lend encouragement to "hitting the blaze" up to midnight.

Our local hotels employ excellent dance bands, their floors are excellent and, if "Dancer" is so keen for a hop, he can easily engage a professional partner for the evening, at quite a moderate fee from one or other of the dancing schools and academies here.

To sum up, I do not consider a *palais-de-dance* either desirable or feasible.—Yours, etc.,

ALBION.

Kowloon, November 21.

NIGHT "LIFE," FOR WHOM?

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS."]

Sir,—How delightfully young "Dancer" sounds. Perhaps he will take a tip—"Go along to your paternal parent, old bean, and tell him you're on to a thing that will bring in thousands. A *Palais de Danse* for Hong Kong!" Now where are you going to put it? Where the forlorn old King Edward showers dust on passers-by? Rather expensive site and the place wanted for a lot of stuffy offices. A bit further out, or over at Kowloon! No, that's no use, "Dancer." People won't roll up if it isn't close and handy.

But who will roll up? Not "the Peak." If you live up there you won't make an hour's journey after dinner, not even for local versions of Britain's prim little dancing partners. It is like tempting Canterbury Cathedral close.

There are already two excellent dance-places, where you pay a modest dollar a head, the Hong Kong Hotel and the Peninsula—good floor, good band, and a jolly atmosphere. The only drawback is that you have to get your partner beforehand—not a difficult task if you live here. For those who want more advanced entertainment, well, we all know, by hearsay, about that.

So we have left as possible patrons the small minority of Chinese and "newly-arrived" who

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COST OF WATER EMERGENCY.

A TOTAL OF \$375,000.

FINANCE COMMITTEE SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES.

The measures taken by the Water Emergency Committee in respect of the recent water shortage totalled \$353,000 and \$22,000 is still outstanding. There was plenty of speculation at the time as to the full cost of these measures, and how the \$300,000 already voted had been spent.

Details of expenditure are contained in the memoranda explaining the \$115,000 supplementary estimates which will be submitted today for the approval of the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council.

Tanks and a Tanker.

The small tanker *Fu Kwong* cost just short of \$100,000—an eloquent commentary on what "a fleet of large tankers sufficient to maintain a two hours' rider main supply" would have meant to the revenue. Tanks and fittings cost \$87,600. But considering what was done and the preparations made to meet the contingency of practically empty reservoirs until next summer's rains, everyone will agree that the Public Works Department and the Water Control Office did their work with commendable efficiency and economy.

Details of Expenditures.

To-day an extra \$75,000 is asked in addition to the \$300,000 already voted.

Details of the main items is given as follows:—

Charter of m.s. <i>Fu Kwong</i> , lighters, water boats and moorings	\$ 99,718
Waterworks general including pipes, etc., at Tsim Tsim, Tsim Wan, Sham Cheng and Tai Shui	41,136
Tanks and fittings	87,600
Conversion of railway wagons	5,682
Nullahs and wells	28,747
Water Control Office and purchase of water	67,717
Incidental expenses	13,183
	\$353,182

OTHER ITEMS.

The supplementary estimates total \$115,738 and the 12 items, in addition to that for "water emergency measures," range from \$20,000 to \$4 the latter a supplement to the \$100 voted for "Royal Observatory Substation" towards cost of printing results of International Upper Air Research.

Nathan Road Improvement.

A sum of \$20,000 is asked for improving existing main roads for motor traffic—portion of Salisbury and Nathan Roads, \$20,000.

The provision made in the estimates was \$30,000.

A sum of \$15,000 supplement is asked for repairs and improvements for boats and launches.

For the Colonial Secretary's Office and Legislative Council filing cabinets, a sum of \$900 is asked.

The steel filing cabinets which were ordered through the Crown Agents in 1928 and arrived here early in 1929 were found, after inspection and test, to be insufficiently strong for the purpose for which they were ordered.

For the Balliffs!

The Supreme Court asks for \$1,200 "Incidental expenses, watchmen."

Owing to the very large increase in the number of seizures under writs of execution, distraint warrants and other court processes, many extra watchmen have had to be employed and there is only a balance of \$800.20 in this vote for the remainder of the year.

The fees earned by extra watchmen are paid into revenue under the heading "seizure fees" and always exceed the amount expended under this vote.

HONG KONG WEDDINGS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AT THE REGISTRY.

The following forthcoming weddings are announced at the local Registry:—

Mr. Sidney John Powell, A.M.I.C.E., F.R.G.S., chartered civil engineer, residing at Burlington Hotel, Shanghai, to Miss Phyllis Warden Brown, M.B.E., B.A., teacher, residing at Peninsula Hotel, Kowloon.

Mr. Eloi Edouard Bougon, agent for Charbonnages du Tonkin, residing at 1, Felix Villas, Hong Kong, to Miss Marinette Halnemann, of Prilly, Lausanne, Switzerland.

"wantee pretty partner, makee pay twenty cents one-piece dance."

We have often heard that, "wantee night life all-the-same Shanghai and Melica." There's plenty of amusement of a reasonable kind in Hong Kong, and as to the other, we would rather have the best sports fields in the Far East and the fitness to use them.—Yours,

SYMPATHISER!

Hong Kong, November 21.

ADVERTISING ON A FUNNEL.

CHINESE DOCTOR SUED IN SUMMARY COURT.

MONEY COLLECTING MUDDLE.

At the Summary Court yesterday before the Puisne Judge, (Mr. Justice Wood) the Man Kon Advertising Company, of China Building, sued Lui Cheuk Ng, a Chinese doctor, of 57, Wellington Street, for \$93, balance due for advertisements painted on the funnel of the Hong Kong-Yaumati ferry launch *Man Lai* between March and December, 1929, at \$15 per month payable in advance.

Plaintiff was represented by Mr. J. M. Hall and defendant conducted his own case.

So Siu Yiu, manager of plaintiff firm, said that a canvasser named Leung Hau Kee gave the contract in writing on March 1. The proprietor, however, had given the contract to a Mr. Stoppa who had not returned it.

The contract was for painting an advertisement on the funnel of the launch and plaintiff firm had a contract for advertising space with the owners of the launch. Defendant's advertisement was duly placed on the funnel on March 4 and it was still there.

An Alleged Misrepresentation.

The proprietor of the plaintiff firm said that he received the contract through Leung Hau Kee who did not set out for the defendant. Witness gave the contract to Mr. Stoppa who said that he was from Mr. J. M. Hall's office and had power to collect debts.

Mr. Stoppa stated in evidence that he was a clerk employed by Leung Hau Kee and he agreed to collect the debt for the proprietor as a favour. Defendant refused to pay the full balance of \$93 due, but agreed to pay \$25. Witness received \$3 in cash and an I.O.U. for \$20. He then destroyed the contract, as it was agreed that the payment was in full settlement.

In answer to his Lordship witness said that the I.O.U. was settled ten days later and he still had the money.

Mr. Hall asked witness who authorised him to settle this claim and who told him to tout for business representing himself as coming from his (Mr. Hall's) office. Witness replied that Leung Hau Kee authorised him to settle the claim and he did not make any representation as suggested.

Witness then made a statement that he agreed to collect the debt for a friend of Mr. Leung's. He had been asked to collect whatever he could to settle the matter. Witness had offered the \$25 to Mr. Leung, but he had refused to accept it.

Reason for Destroying Contract.

Defendant confirmed Mr. Stoppa's evidence and said there was a verbal agreement to terminate the contract. Altogether he said he had paid \$93. It was not a question of Mr. Stoppa selling the contract for \$25. In fact witness was reluctant to give him the \$25 and agreed to pay it on condition that the contract was destroyed in order to avoid later disputes. Witness believed Mr. Stoppa to be an honest man, and the latter did not say from which office he came when he brought the contract.

His Lordship held that defendant had not the right to terminate the contract, but that only charges for eight months could be claimed. Judgment was given for plaintiff for \$55 and costs, his Lordship indicating that plaintiff could recover \$25 from Mr. Stoppa.

THE LATE MRS. WINIFRED GREEN.

LOCAL ESTATE WORTH \$35,000.

Property in Hong Kong worth \$35,444.35 was left by Mrs. Winifred Green, a British subject, domiciled at the time of her death on March 5, 1929, at Hewlett, Nassau County, State of New York, U.S.A.

Letters of administration, with will annexed, to the estate of the deceased have been granted to Mr. G. W. N. Tinson, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes & Master, acting as attorney for Mr. Harry Thomas Sinclair Green, husband of deceased and executor named in the will dated March 11, 1928. Mr. Green is connected with the head office of the National City Bank of New York.

Testator left half of the property real and personal to her husband, the other portion going to her three children, Elaine Montgomery, Veronica Mary and Harry Stewart Green.

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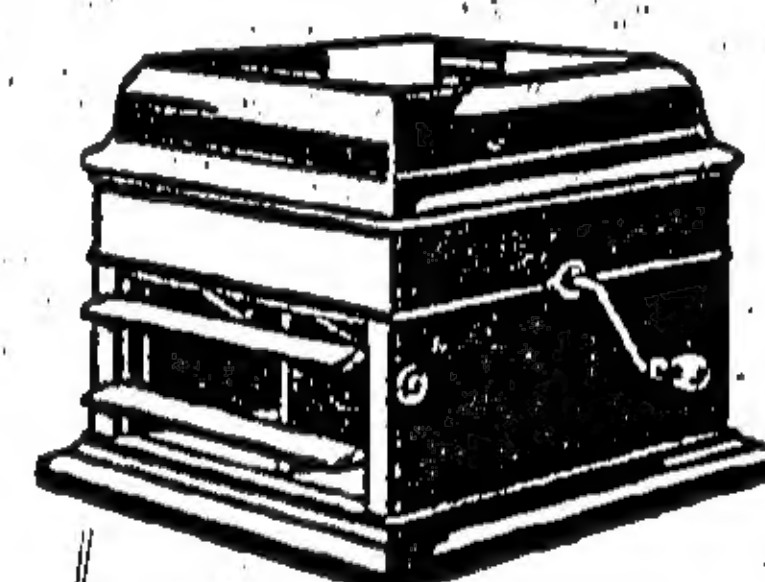
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG.

ORIGINAL JURISDICTION
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WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 5 p.m., stated:—

An anticyclone has formed over N. China. The depression is now central to the north-east of Hong-kaido. Fresh monsoon will prevail along the China Coast and over the N. China Sea.

Local Forecast:—N.E. winds, moderate to fresh, fine cloudy.

BIRTH.

SEIFFERT.—On November 17, in Canton, to Mr. and Mrs. R. W. E. SEIFFERT, a son. [8634]

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HONG KONG, NOVEMBER 22, 1929.

BANKERS' COMMISSION.

Sugar merchants in Hong Kong appear to be in serious difficulties as a result of the action taken by the foreign banks in the Colony a couple of months ago. On September 30 last, importers of sugar were informed that, in accordance with a resolution passed by the Eastern banks in London, it had been decided to make new regulations regarding bankers' commission on guarantees. On confirmed or unconfirmed guarantees or authorities signed by importers "without recourse" a commission of 1/8 per cent. per month would be charged, whether a margin were obtained or not. On documentary credits "without recourse" opened after September 23 this commission was payable according to the tenor of the bills—that is to say, for credits against three-months sight drafts 3/8 per cent. would be charged. This commission is payable over and above the commission customarily charged by the bank's comprador for credits opened through him. For documentary credits "with recourse" on the drawers the existing arrangement was to stand unchanged—no charge. When this decision of the banks was made known to sugar importers in Hong Kong, a meeting of their association was called to consider the position, at which it was resolved to request the banks to delay taking the action proposed until the Sugar Merchants Association could meet the bankers and discuss the situation. It was asserted that the proposed charges would make business impossible, but the suggested conference of bankers and importers did not materialise, and the new rate of commission was enforced in spite of the protest.

The next step taken by the Sugar Merchants Association was to communicate with exporters in Java, informing them of the action of the Hong Kong bankers, and requesting them not to insist upon importers in this Colony opening irrevocable credits, without recourse, for every transaction. Instead, it was suggested that Java exporters should agree to arrange revocable credits with recourse in order to avoid any further disturbances of business in Hong Kong, already suffering from the disturbed political conditions in China. Replies to this suggestion are now being received in Hong Kong, and their tone indicates that no assistance is likely to be forthcoming from Java. Exporters of sugar say they regret that the action of the banks will involve additional expense for Hong Kong importers, but Java merchants apparently feel that business with this Colony is impossible unless the risks attaching to business on the basis of revocable credit with recourse are considered by some too great. Others say their attitude has nothing to do with the standing of their Hong Kong clients, but is a matter of principle.

One Java merchant, in expressing disapproval of the Hong Kong bankers' new charges, asserts that the majority of the banks in the Dutch Indies only charge 1/8 per cent. commission for three months on irrevocable credits without recourse, and one or two foreign banks are even content with 1/8 per cent. for the whole transaction, irrespective of the period of time covered. If the opening of such credits is so expensive as to affect business seriously, the suggestion is made from Java that it might be possible to work out a plan for making adequate marginal cash deposits with shippers when the Hong Kong importers conclude a business deal. The opinion was also expressed that if the banks really find it necessary to increase their charges, they no doubt have a reason for the change, but the question was raised as to whether bankers are not trying to shift responsibility for financing sugar imports on to the shoulders of Java exporters.

Hitherto the banks opened irrevocable credits without recourse on behalf of importers of sugar, which meant that the bankers undertook the financing of the business, on which a commission was payable by the Hong Kong purchaser. It is customary all over the world for banks to finance business in staple commodities involving large sums of money, but a revocable credit with recourse is really no credit at all, and financing of such business must be done on the basis of irrevocable credits without recourse. For providing such facilities bankers are entitled to make a charge, but it is pointed out that the risks in the sugar business are small, since all shipments are officially checked both in regard to quality and quantity before leaving Java. Java exporters of sugar are not themselves in a position to finance their shipments abroad, which run into enormous figures. It is possible that they could get the necessary facilities from their local bankers, but this would not help Hong Kong importers, as any commission charged for such service obviously would have to be added to the price of the sugar. Business is being done on such a narrow margin of profit that Java merchants could not possibly bear the expense, and in the end Hong Kong importers would have to pay the cost. The present situation, then, is that Java exporters of sugar will do business on no other basis than that of irrevocable credits without recourse, and Hong Kong importers of Java sugar declare that the bankers' charges for these facilities have been fixed at so high a figure that the business becomes "utterly impossible." We understand that the merchants in the Colony most concerned in this matter are calling a meeting to discuss the deadlock which has been reached, and the outcome of their deliberations will be awaited with great interest both by business-men and bankers.

News and Views.

Dr. R. A. de Castro Basto returned to the Colony by the Empress of Russia yesterday.

President Hoover has issued a proclamation, inviting the nations of the world to participate in the World Fair in Chicago in 1933.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending November 9 amounted to 105,239 tons, and the sales during the period to 93,959 tons.

Rear-Admiral Ralph Elliot, D.S.O., whose retirement has just been announced, had as his last command the aircraft carrier Hermes, in China, in 1928-1927. Since March of this year he has been Superintendent of Contract-built Ships, with headquarters at Newcastle.

At the Chapel of the Savoy in London, last month, Mr. Charles Edward Lawrence, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Grist, of Ealing and Hong Kong, was married to Miss Evelyn Frances, only child of the late Dr. E. F. Palgrave and Mrs. Palgrave, of 70, Rodney Court, W.

Owing to delays in completion, J. M. S. Medway, Captain, Colin Cantlie, D.S.O., and the submarines Osiris, Oswald, Otus, and Odin, will not be ready to leave England before January, 1930, instead of this month. The projected passage to China via South America has, therefore, been abandoned, and the vessels, which are known as the Third Submarine Flotilla, are to go out via the Suez Canal, arriving on the China Station about the end of March.

The Admiralty have approved of His Majesty's 1,200-ton sloop Bluebell, which was built during the war and served in the Far East, of the Aonuma class, being "scrapped," and have given instructions for her to be prepared for sale at Chatham Dockyard. H.M.S. Bluebell returned to England early in the year from the China Station, where the new sloop Bridgewater has replaced her. She was one of the twelve sloops ordered early in the war, and named after flowers. Seven of these will still remain, among them the Magnolia in China.

Lady Clifford, whose ill-health at Singapore has involved the resignation of her husband from the office of Governor of the Straits Settlements and High Commissioner of Malaya, is known to many people as Mrs. Henry de la Pasture, the novelist and dramatist. Her play, "Peter's Mother," based on one of her books, was a big success at Wyndham's. It was afterwards revived at the Haymarket and enjoyed a command performance at the Theatre Royal on Thursday evening. Lady Clifford has not been so active with her pen since her second marriage in 1910 to Sir Hugh Clifford.

The Hon. Secretaries of the St. Andrews Society announce that the final "Practice Dance" will be held on Thursday, the 28th, at the Peninsula Hotel, starting at 8.30 p.m. Those attending are requested to present the perforated section of the Invitation Card. Tea will be served in the Rose Room at 5 p.m.

The Central Executive Committee in Nanking has decided to purchase two houses occupied by the late Dr. Sun Yat Sen, the founder of the Kuomintang party, during his exile in Tokyo. The Committee at a recent meeting unanimously passed the estimate necessary for the purchase. These two houses will be preserved in memory of the late founder of the party.

Sir Cecil Clementi.

Rumour is not always a lying jade. For some days it had been whispered in the Colony that H.E. the Governor was going to fill the post vacated by the resignation of Sir Hugh Clifford. Rumour went even further, and said Sir Claude Severn was coming back to Hong Kong. Efforts were made in the best-informed quarters to ascertain the truth of these reports, but with-out success; now comes a Reuter cable from London definitely stating that Sir Cecil Clementi has been appointed Governor of the Straits Settlements. One rumour has been now confirmed, and the community will be curious to know what truth, if any, there is in the other report. We have already expressed doubts as to the likelihood of Sir Claude's emergence from retirement, and it seems more likely that the Hon. A. G. M. Fletcher, now Colonial Secretary in Ceylon will return to this Colony. At the moment, however, there is no information available as to who will succeed Sir Cecil Clementi as Governor of Hong Kong. Sir Cecil's connection with this port goes back thirty years, though he left in 1913 for British Guiana, and did not return to this Colony until appointed Governor in 1925. The news of his transfer to Singapore will be received with mixed feelings. His Excellency has very many friends in Hong Kong—particularly among the Chinese community—and while sorry to learn that he is to leave the Colony they will be pleased to think the British Government has selected him to fill so important a post as that of Governor of the Straits Settlements. From the point of view of remuneration there is not a great difference in the two posts; that in Hong Kong is worth £8,000 a year, and Singapore £60,000. The areas of territory administered, however, show a very wide disparity; the whole Colony here covers about 390 square miles, whereas the Straits Settlements have an area of about 1,600 square miles. Populations do not show a proportionate difference; Hong Kong has an estimated population of 978,000, and the Straits Settlements 1,035,000—of whom a very large number are Chinese. Sir Cecil's profound knowledge of the language, customs, and psychology of the Chinese people will still have ample opportunity for application in his new post, while the many other new political and social problems in the Straits Settlements will give him wide scope for exercising his administrative abilities. During his term of office as Governor of Hong Kong Sir Cecil Clementi has had to handle some very difficult problems, particularly in connection with Anglo-Chinese affairs. In spite of many obstacles, Sir Cecil has succeeded in establishing and maintaining friendly relations between this Colony and Canton—a task which has called for the exercise of much patience and tact, and which when accomplished, means so much for the progress of this Colony.

Looking Back 25 Years.

During his review of facts concerning the death of an unknown Chinese at an inquiry held at the Magistracy yesterday afternoon, Mr. H. H. J. Compertz, Coroner, informed the jury that if the man was walking with his back to the car, he could not see it. He confirmed this statement by his next, wherein he said:—"You have already heard he was a blind man."—*Hong Kong Daily Press*, November 22, 1929.

Looking Back 50 Years.

The Royal Italian Opera Company made their third appearance at the Theatre Royal on Thursday evening, when they were again honoured with the presence of His Excellency the Governor and Mrs. Hennessey, and a large attendance of the community. The opera selected for production, Donizetti's "Lucia di Lammermoor," was, however, scarcely so successful as a whole as "Il Trovatore," and in spite of the excellent singing of the principal artists, dragged somewhat during the prologue and first act. The "Rustighello" of Signor Campanini was a feeble representation, and the other minor characters were indifferently impersonated. One individual, concerning whose vocal efforts we have already spoken, showed up more prominently on Thursday night, and his success in spoiling several bits of chorus was rewarded on one occasion with a hiss. We would suggest to the director the desirability of having very much in the background.

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ARMED MEN ROB VILLAGERS.

EARLY MORNING AFFAIR IN HOI FUNG.

An armed robbery was reported to the Police yesterday by a villager from the Shun Mei Ling village, Hoi Fung district.

According to the information given, an old fisherman and his son, who occupied a lonely hut on the forebore of the village, were awakened from their sleep in the early hours of yesterday morning by a stranger who asked to be put up for the night. The fisherman did not admit the man, but on the latter's request gave him a quantity of tobacco and with this, the man departed and the fisherman returned to sleep.

He was awakened by the sound of someone trying to force open his door. Thinking that the stranger had no place for shelter, the fisherman opened the door of his hut, when three men entered and held him up. They did not produce any weapons, but the fisherman believed that they carried daggers.

Two intruders stripped the hut of everything movable, mainly clothing and bedding, mosquito nets, etc. Twenty-eight chickens were also stolen.

The robbers left by sea in a small fishing boat. The police at Cheung Chau were notified and arrived to make investigations yesterday. No arrests have been made so far.

The Secretary of State for the Colonies having given his approval by cable to the item in the Colony's Estimates providing for the establishment of a Statistical Department, arrangements are being made accordingly. The main office will be established in Kowloon, with a branch on the island, and active operations will commence on January 1 next. Thenceforward it will be possible to ascertain once more accurate details of the volume and character of the import and export trade passing through Hong Kong.

An Unfortunate Blunder.

We owe an apology to our readers for an inadvertent but unfortunate error. Among the news received from the G.P.O. late on Wednesday night, in the usual budget sent out by wireless from Rugby, was a message relating to a terrible disaster on board H.M.S. Devonshire. In the rush of preparing to go to press, it was not observed that this message related to an incident which actually happened several months ago, and accordingly the report was published just as received from the Radio Office. How it came about that this stale news was officially given out to the Press on Wednesday night we do not know, but for our share in the responsibility for giving it publicity we make this apology for having unintentionally misled our readers.

A Gentleman at the Foreign Office.

A gentleman at the Foreign Office in Nanking has just allowed it to become known that the Chinese Government has decided to issue a declaration on January 1 next announcing the abrogation of extra-territorial rights in China. This is no news. Months ago it was stated that the Nationalist Government had reached this decision, and the report has been commented upon more than once in our columns. What is new, however, is the ingenious explanation by the Foreign Office spokesman that this step does not mean the abrogation of China's treaties with the Powers. "Only" the clauses pertaining to the exercise of extra-territorial rights are to be abolished by the declaration of the Chinese Government. In spite of this naive statement, we cannot believe that the Nanking Administration is really serious in its alleged intention. We suspect rather that the real motive of this declaration is—always has been—to demonstrate to the Chinese people the strong determination of the Central Government to put an immediate end to the "unequal" treaties. In other words, an elaborate stage play to the gallery, intended to convince waverers that the Nanking Government really is as strong as it claims to be. If this surmise should be wrong, and the spokesman of the Foreign Office proves a true prophet, then the Chinese Government is deliberately going out of its way to make more trouble for itself—and it already has plenty on hand.

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HELENA MAY MUSICAL.

ENJOYABLE AND NOT TOO HIGHBROW.

Mr. Frederick Mason broke new ground in his arrangement of the programme for the Helena May musicale yesterday—new ground that is for the "Helena May."

The last two concerts have been of an ambitious order, that arranged by Madame Bonenfant decidedly "highbrow," but Mr. Mason has taken his audience into a drawing room and bade them listen to some music given at the piano. One would perhaps get tired of this seemingly artless arrangement if it were a regular institution but as a change it was certainly pleasing. The audience, a good one, were introduced to three singers, soprano, contralto and baritone, and a prologue and epilogue to the programme was provided by a piano trio (how typical of the whole spirit of the concert to name the instrument a piano, instead of a pianoforte!).

The trio consisted of Mr. Mason himself at the piano, Mr. John Braga with his violin and Miss Jean Braga with a viola, and very pleasant music they made for us.

Mr. and Miss Braga play well together and the second item "Allegretto" by Frank Bridge was as charming an example of light music as one could wish to meet. In the earlier "Minuet" by the same composer, the piano part seemed somewhat over weighted, but in the "Allegretto" it took its proper place giving the essential form of the theme and leaving the stringed instruments to stress the melody and indulge in "variations." Frank Bridge was represented again at the end of the programme in a Gavotte, but the Beethoven Minuet with which it closed was possibly the most attractive of all.

The Singers.

And so to the singers. Mrs. L. C. F. Bellamy gave the soprano songs. She has a clear, and at times, bell-like voice, but it is lacking in the sympathy and fullness which most of the songs she chose required. All of her songs were difficult and she surmounted the technical difficulties well, but her quite unemotional voice would be better suited I think by, say, the Scottish and English ballads or folk songs, many of which require just that note of hardness or coldness which is typical more of a boy's than a woman's voice. And we too rarely get a chance of hearing these songs which everybody enjoys.

That same quality of immaturity is even more noticeable in the voice of Mrs. G. Lamb (contralto)—and if I may say so, in her choice of songs! I wonder if she chose them to match her black dress, or if the dress was selected as suitable for the songs! Mrs. Lamb looks a cheerful and delightful person but she could not get away from graves and kindred subjects. Her "young" fresh voice, with its pretty husky low notes, saved her singing from morbidity. Her last song "Boy Johnny" (Edric Cundell) was the only cheerful one, and much the most pleasant. I should like to hear her also turn her attention to ballad and folk songs, for I suspect her, for all her melancholy pose, of a delightful pawky humour, and she has an unusually pretty voice.

Dr. L. T. Ride, too, I was very glad to meet. He has a good piano-side baritone and pronounces all his words clearly. It is refreshing to meet a man who can keep clear of the sentimental, for English songs of this order are not generally good, and Englishmen, with the exception of the professional-musical tenor, generally look rather uncomfortable when singing them. He gave us "Rolling down to Rio" and "If the heart of a Man" from the Beggar's Opera, among other things, both of which were very well received.

It was altogether a very pleasant concert, the full programme was as follows:—

Artists:—Mrs. L. C. F. Bellamy (soprano), Mrs. G. Lamb (contralto), Miss Jean Braga (viola), Dr. L. T. Ride (baritone), Mr. John Braga (violin), and Mr. Frederick Mason (piano).
E.M.B.
Programme.
1.—Piano Trio:
(a) Minuet.
(b) Allegretto.....Frank Bridge.

THE CAMPAIGN IN HUPEH.

NATIONALISTS WALK WARILY.

TROOPS MASSING.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

HANKOW, November 21.

The attack against the Kuomintang invaders in Hupeh has not yet developed, and it is explained that Liu Shih is carefully organising his forces so as to prevent any possible hitch. It is learned that the 11th Division, under the command of Chen Cheng, will lead the offensive.

Further reinforcements are being sent to Tsaoyang from the Kinshan front and Wushenkwang is left with scarcely any defence.

It is officially stated that following the evacuation of Loyang the Kuomintang are falling back on Shanchow, and a lull at present prevails on the Honan front.

Kuomintang Plans.

HANKOW, Nov. 20.

It is stated that the general drive by the Government forces in North Hupeh against the Kuomintang invaders has already started from Tsaoyang, and General Liu Shih, who is in charge of the operations, expressed confidence in his forces, numbering approximately 100,000 as adequate to deal with the situation.

General Fan Shih Hsen's Fifth Division is advancing to the north from Shasi and will attack the enemy in the rear at Ichang, while the Government's main army moves from Tsaoyang.

General Liu Shih has requisitioned twenty lorries from Hankow for use on the Hupeh front, so as to facilitate rapid transport.

"Strategic Retreats."

It is now officially admitted that Sinyangfu was evacuated by the Kuomintang troops for "strategic purposes" but it is stated that the city has not yet been occupied by the Kuomintang.

The latest news from Honan states that Marshal Chiang Kai Shek and General Tang Seng Chi inspected the Heishihkwang front yesterday.

It is claimed that the Nationalist forces are steadily pushing towards Loyang.

LOYANG OCCUPIED.

STATED TO BE "BY ARRANGEMENT."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

HANKOW, Nov. 21.

Official pamphlets being distributed here report the occupation of Loyang by the 4th Division on Tuesday last. Nationalist circles claim that the occupation was accomplished by agreement with Sun Liang Chen.

"Raising the Wind."

It is learned that before his departure from here the other night, Mr. T. V. Soong intimated that the local bankers and the Chamber of Commerce in Wahan were required to supply a further \$4,000,000 for war expenses. It is stated that discussions are now going on re ways and means for raising the required sum.

EXTRA-TERRITORIALITY.

TO BE "ABOLISHED" IN JANUARY!

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NANKING, Nov. 20.

It is reliably learned that the Nationalist Government has decided to issue a declaration on January 1st, 1930, announcing the abrogation of extra-territoriality in China.

A Foreign Office spokesman stated this afternoon that the step would not mean the abrogation of China's treaties with the Powers. Only the clauses pertaining to the exercising of extrajudicial rights in China will be abolished.

MUKDEN AND C.E.R. DISPUTE.

A SEPARATE SETTLEMENT POSSIBLE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TOKYO, November 21.

A Mukden message to Rengo says it is understood that Mukden has decided to negotiate a settlement of the C.E.R. dispute with Moscow independently of Nanking. Dr. Wellington Koo is to be appointed as plenipotentiary.

It is believed that Mukden's decision has been reached as a result of the continued pressure of the Soviet military forces on the Manchurian border, combined with the fact of Nanking's apparently suffering reverses in South China.

SINGAPORE BASE POLICY.

THE EXPENDITURE TO DATE.

MORE QUESTIONS.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Nov. 20.

The Premier was asked in the House of Commons to give an assurance that no change of policy as to the completion and the establishment of the Singapore Naval base would be made without the consent of the Dominion and Colonial Governments concerned.

He replied that it was quite obvious that in any rearrangement of the building programme, regarding which no final decision had yet been taken, the subscribing communities must be consulted, not merely by way of being informed, but in such a way that an agreement would be come to.

Mr. A. V. Alexander, the First Lord of the Admiralty, informed a questioner that the total estimated expenditure on the Singapore base was £3,700,000, including the cost of the floating dock.

The total expenditure to date was £2,033,000.

After allowing for further Dominion and Colonial contributions the ultimate net charge to the Navy Vote of the present scheme was £2,290,000.

Pertinent Queries.

Reuter adds that many other questions were asked on the subject of the Base, especially as regards the question of consultation with the Dominions and the interested Colonies.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald refused to amplify his previous statements.

The Conservative Member, Mr. Eden expressed dissatisfaction with the attitude of the Government and gave notice that he would raise the matter on adjournment at an early date.

Subsequently, an assurance was given by Mr. Ramsay MacDonald that any change affecting the Base as a whole would obviously be reported to Parliament.

He stated that a waste of public money should not be continued if it was proved to be waste.

No final decision had been taken by any means, and before any were taken the subscribing communities would not only be informed but consulted in such a way that an agreement could be reached.

Malaya's Contribution.

Mr. Alexander told the House that of the Malay States Government's promised contribution of £2,000,000, the Government had received £1,200,000, the whole of which had already been spent.

Replying to a question suggesting the possibility of the contractors lodging a serious claim if work on the Singapore Base is suspended or seriously modified, Mr. A. V. Alexander deprecated a detailed discussion of this aspect of the situation "in view of any possible legal position that may arise."

CHINESE DIPLOMAT ASSAULTED.

A DISPUTE IN BRUSSELS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BRUSSELS, Nov. 20.

The Chinese Charge D'Affaires was injured to-day in a violent scuffle which occurred at the Chinese Legation, where fifteen of his compatriots in Brussels called to demand the release of a comrade previously arrested.

Four of the rioters were placed under arrest.

The incident was probably the outcome of the arrest of a Chinese on November 18 after the man had left what was supposed to be bombs on the premises when his request for an education bursary was refused.

The same man, incidentally, was expelled from France for assaulting the Chinese Consul in Paris.

BOXER INDEMNITY. BRITISH PROPOSALS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Nov. 20.

In the House of Commons to-day, answering a question, Mr. Arthur Henderson said that new proposals for dealing with the Boxer Indemnity were being considered with His Majesty's Ministers.

China, Sir Miles Lampson. The question of legislation, he added, must await the decision regarding these proposals.

HORSE-POWER TAX TO GO?

MR. THOMAS' EXPORT SCHEMES.

HELPING WORKLESS.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, November 21.

Law officers of the Crown are preparing a Bill designed to enable local authorities to dispense with certain legal formalities in undertaking their employment plans. When the Bill becomes law these authorities will be relieved of the necessity of promoting special Acts of Parliament before certain works may be undertaken.

The Lord Privy Seal, Mr. J. H. Thomas, who in a statement to the Press makes this announcement, added that progress with employment schemes is being made in many directions, and expenditure to the amount of between £40,000,000 and £50,000,000 has now been sanctioned.

He again expressed the conviction that expansion of export trade lay at the root of matters, and in this connection he was discussing various questions with the motor trade.

He said he was conferring with a view to finding out by what means other than the horsepower tax the same revenue could be secured, with more advantage to the motor industry. Newspapers interpret this as indicating an intention to abolish the horsepower tax, which encourages the production of a small engine car unsuitable for export, and replacing the tax with increased petrol taxation.

MR. HARRY SINCLAIR.

RELEASED FROM PRISON.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.

Mr. Harry Sinclair, who was sentenced to three months' imprisonment for contempt of court, on June 3 last, was released to-day. Previously, he had served a similar sentence for a like offence.

Mr. Sinclair originally came before the court, together with Mr. Albert Fall, in connection with the Teapot Dome oil scandal.

M. CLEMENCEAU UNWELL AGAIN.

ANXIETY RENEWED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, November 21.

M. Clemenceau, who was unwell a few weeks ago, was unable to do his usual physical jerks this morning. He was seized with violent abdominal pains, and a doctor who was summoned injected morphia. The doctor afterwards declared "This attack may be serious."

GIANT R.A.F. PLANE.

LAUNCHING AT HULL.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Nov. 21.

The Royal Air Force giant all-metal flying boat "Iris III," was launched to-day at Brough, near Hull. The flying-boat, which weighs 13 tons, was drawn from her hangar by a traction engine, and run down a slipway to the Humber.

Her float and engine tests were carried out, and after a half-hour's flying test, under the supervision of an Air Ministry expert the Iris headed for Felixstowe, where she is likely to remain for some time.

She has a crew of five, and can carry 20 persons.

BRITISH BANK RATE DOWN.

A FURTHER DROP.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Nov. 21.

The Bank of England to-day lowered its discount rate from 6 per cent to 5½ per cent. This is the level at which it stood before it was advanced to 6½ per cent on September 26. It was reduced to 6 per cent on October 31.

THE IMAM OF YEMAN. PARLEYS WITH BRITAIN.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Nov. 20.

Replying to a question regarding the state of the negotiations with the Imam of Yemen, Mr. W. Lunn, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, said a communication was recently received from the Imam through an unofficial channel and the British Resident at Aden, who had been authorised to inform him of the conditions under which Great Britain was prepared to resume negotiations with him with a view to the conclusion of a treaty.

NAVAL CONFERENCE DELEGATES.

AMERICA NAMES HER CHOICES.

"EXPLANATIONS" FROM JAPAN.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20.

The American delegation to the London conference has been completed and consists of Mr. H. L. Stimson, Mr. C. F. Adams, secretary of the Navy, General Dawes, Mr. Dwight Morrow (Ambassador to Mexico), Mr. Hugh Gibson (Ambassador in Brussels), Senators J. T. Robinson and David Reed, with Admiral Pratt and Rear-Admiral Jones as naval advisers.

Tokyo, Nov. 21.

It is learned that in a recent exchange of correspondence, the British Government stated it considered it would be undesirable for a Naval expert to be included in the delegation to the London Conference, with which opinion Japan readily concurred.

In connection with this matter, the Foreign Office spokesman explained that the official view was to the effect that Admiral Takarabe had been appointed as a delegate in the capacity of a statesman, and not as a naval man.

Authoritative quarters point out that just as the American delegation must include Senators for the purpose of ensuring the Senate's

SIR CECIL CLEMENTI.

APPOINTMENT TO THE STRAITS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, November 21.

Sir Cecil Clementi has been appointed Governor of the Straits Settlements, vice Sir Hugh Clifford, who has resigned his post.

[A brief comment on Sir Cecil Clementi's appointment appears on our leader page.]

SCOTTISH FISHING INDUSTRY.

CALL FOR GOVERNMENT ACTION.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Nov. 20.

Sir Robert Hamilton the Liberal member for the Orkney Islands, introduced a motion into the House of Commons calling for immediate action by the Government to assist the fishing industry, which, he said, had been going through a very hard time.

The motion proposed that the Government should relieve fishing harbours of their excessive financial burdens, provide a system of harbour development, secure an international agreement regarding fishing grounds in the North Sea and elsewhere which are subject of dispute, and generally to establish the industry on a sound basis.

Sir Robert suggested the grant of loans to fishermen, on easy terms, to enable them to replace their gear.

Mr. Buxton, the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, accepted the motion, and said action was already being taken in the directions indicated. An inquiry as to where further action was needed was about to be conducted by the Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry. Mr. Buxton also mentioned that about £75,000 yearly was being spent on research.

PALESTINE MATTERS.

AWARDS FOR GALLANTRY.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Nov. 20.

Answering questions concerning Palestine in the House of Commons, Mr. W. Lunn said the King's Police Medal had been awarded to Mr. Caffera, the Chief of Police at Haifa, for conspicuous gallantry on August 24 when he kept an armed mob at bay singlehanded and thus prevented further attacks on the Jews.

Casualties during the disorders up to September 24 were 207 killed and 379 injured.

A Jew has been sentenced to death for killing two Arabs during the disturbances in August. —*Reuters*.

LIQUOR IN WEST AFRICA.

CURTAILING SALE TO NATIVES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Nov. 20.

Mr. W. Lunn, Colonial Under Secretary of State, stated in the House of Commons that the Governor of the West African Colonies, who had been authorised to take steps could be usefully taken for dealing with the sale of intoxicating liquors to the natives of those Colonies.

"BOOSTING" RUBBER SALES.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE'S PROPOSALS.

A "GROUP" PLAN.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Nov. 20.

The report of the Co-operative Selling Committee of the Rubber Growers' Association expresses the opinion that central selling in relation to the whole producing industry is impracticable, and recommends, in the first place that the 37 smaller groups, comprised within the Association should, for the purpose of selling, combine with the larger groups, or with each other, to form groups of a size equivalent to an output of not less than 4,000 tons a year.

In the second place the Committee recommends that separate and unassociated companies should, for the purpose of selling, seek association with one another or with existing groups to a similar extent.

A third recommendation is that when that position has been established each resulting group, and also each of the larger groups which at present comprise over 60 per cent. membership and output of the Association, should sell its standard quality rubber as one unit, and pool its sales for the benefit of each company within each group.

Pull Together!

The Committee recommends also that each company should endeavour to establish by itself, or with the assistance of the group with which it is associated, a position of financial strength that will enable the group to sell in consonance with an orderly policy free from pressure and financial stringency.

If these recommendations are carried out the number of sellers within the Association will be reduced immediately by 90 per cent. The report adds that "from experience gained in and the confidence engendered by the practical working of this scheme an ever increasing measure of co-ordination may develop which may well ultimately lead to a complete fusion of all groups into one selling unit."

Research Needed.

The report further recommends that the Association should establish an adequately equipped and staffed commercial research department in charge of a qualified man. This department would assume the responsibility for all statistical service and develop it on more comprehensive lines than hitherto attempted.

It would endeavour to collect and collate all facts and figures relating to the production and absorption of rubber and would continuously study all the economic factors affecting the rubber industry.

The department would work under the direction of a committee appointed by and responsible to the Council of the Rubber Growers' Association.

The Committee expresses the opinion that there is nothing inimical to rubber producers in forward selling. The time when sales should be made and the terms of the sales are matters of judgment. Forward sales at an unspecified or contingent price, are best avoided, the report adds. To the extent to which these are practised a vested interest is created for a depression in prices.

A Call for Fusion.

The Rubber Growers' Association has now requested the Committee to endeavour, at the earliest possible moment, to bring about a complete fusion of all groups into one selling unit and formulate plans whereby finance up to the agreed figure per pound of rubber lodged for sale may be made available to all companies joining the scheme.

Telegrams in Brief.

The Federal Reserve Bank in Boston has reduced the re-discount rate from 5 to 4½ per cent.

In order to protect the beet cultivation the French Government has decided to increase the sugar duty by 40 francs per 100 kilos and lower the Excise duty by 15 francs per 100 kilos.

Doctor Benjamin Knowles, whose conviction for the murder of his wife by a Judge sitting without a jury at Kumasi in Ashanti was quashed by a Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, has been released from Maidstone Prison.

Lord Passfield stated in the House of Lords that it was the intention of the Government to set up this Session a Standing Joint Committee on Indian affairs. The Motion for its appointment would shortly be put before the House.

The effect of the recent Wall Street crash in stock values is indicated by figures published by the New York Stock Exchange, showing that the total market value of all listed shares has declined by \$815,330,000,000, a drop of over 12 per cent.

The Department of Overseas Trade has announced that Sir Esmund Overy, who has been appointed Ambassador to Russia and to which post he will shortly be proceeding, will be glad to discuss matters relating to British trade with that market. Sir Esmund will be available for interviews at the Department of Overseas Trade.

FRENCH AIRMEN HOME.

RECORD TRIP FROM HANOI.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, November 21.

The airmen Costes and Bellonte have returned from Hanoi in the record time of five days. They landed at Le Bourget at 11.35 this morning.

TROUBLE IN SPANISH ARTILLERY.

A RE-ORGANIZATION.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MADRID, Nov. 20.

In view of the latest disaffection in the artillery it is understood that the Government is taking steps if not to dissolve at least, to reorganise the artillery with a view to eliminating the disaffected elements with which military juntas are operating.

H.M. the King has consented to any measures the Dictator wishes to take and it is believed that the latter has the situation well in hand.

The Dictator will probably use conciliatory means rather than apply punitive measures. An order has been issued allowing sons of large families dismissed from military academies on political grounds to be re-admitted.

INDIAN AIR MAIL.

SUCCESS OF REVISED SERVICE.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Nov. 20.

The first Indian air mail on the revised Imperial Airways service, which now leaves Karachi on Tuesdays instead of Sundays, arrived at Croydon Aerodrome to-day in a his Armstrong Siddeley air liner which had flown across Europe from Athens.

The mail, which was the second largest yet flown from India to London, consisted of approximately 35,000 letters.



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Sports News

HONG KONG LEVEL UP MATTERS.

THRILLS IN INTERPORT TENNIS.

BRILLIANT PLAY BY RUMJAHNS.

SHANGHAI TAKE BAD BEATING.

The sensational defeat of Shanghai's best doubles combination by three straight sets on the Hong Kong Cricket Club courts yesterday afternoon brought the men's interport score to a 1-1 tie, and the splendid victory of the local ladies' No. 2 doubles, after being down by 4-5 and 15-40 in the final set, brought the ladies' contest to the same position. Scores were: Mrs. Miles and Mrs. James defeated Mrs. Stafford Smith and Miss Colloco, 4-6, 6-0, 9-7. H. D. and S. A. Rumjahn won over Lum and Canavaro, 5-0, 6-1, 6-2.

Home Side Improves.

The form of the Hong Kong representatives, especially in the men's doubles, added considerably to the prestige of the port, especially after the local players' defeats on the previous day. The standard of the Rumjahns' play in the second match was high throughout and their decisive victory was a surprise to even their opponents, but to be fair to their opponents it must be mentioned that the type of balls used had a good deal to do with the comparatively poor showing of the Shanghai players.

Lum, although he played well most of the time, was not as forceful as he usually is, while Canavaro, admitted to be one of the best doubles players in China, was not half so effective as usual on the volley. This can be explained from the fact that his method of play is not so much hitting as it is angling and finesse, and for a player of this type to switch from Stanger's to Dunlop's, a lively but a comparatively slow ball, makes a considerable difference. However, the local representatives deserve full praise for their fine exhibition of aggressive work at the net, and they received numerous congratulations, including those of H. D. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.).

Good Ladies' Game.

The ladies' doubles was most interesting from start to finish. There was sufficient variety of play and fluctuations in the game to draw forth much of the round of applause from the crowded spectators, who, however, knew whether to admire more the forceful forehand driving of Mrs. Miles, the brilliant backhand shots and volleying of Miss Colloco, the steadiness and court-draft of Mrs. Stafford Smith or the timely lobbing of Mrs. James, whose strategy was instrumental in keeping the visitors from the net during a large part of the game.

In pulling the match out of the fire after being down by 4 games to 5 and 40-15 against them, the Hong Kong representatives showed the fighting spirit of real match players. Mrs. Stafford Smith excelled for her repeatedly retrieved almost hopeless shots, and when her side was in danger of losing the game her steadiness proved to be very useful. Her partner, who is a little less reliable, owing to lack of experience, nevertheless made up for this by many brilliant backhand drives, some of which were marked down as clean and her net drop volleys for earned points. As to Mrs. Miles, her was a spectacular game most of the time, for she used her aggressive forehand to considerable advantage and made few errors in this department. Mrs. James, although not so good with her ground strokes, was reliable on the volley.

A Battle of Tactics.

The match was remarkable for the different tactics employed by either side at different times; they were tactics which are given full scope in a ladies' doubles, but which are seldom employed. Shanghai won the first set due mainly to the superiority of the visitors in volleying, the local team being unable to outwit them even in spite of their hard driving. The second set saw Mrs. Miles and Mrs. James confine themselves to the baseline and by lobbing frequently they put the net players off their volleying and made them stand farther down the court, giving more opportunity for points being earned by placements.

The final set saw the Shanghai couple take a lead of 4-2, because Mrs. Stafford Smith decided to stay on the baseline, where she is more accurate and where she can deal better with her opponents' drives and lobs. This left Miss Colloco at the net, her real home. It did not take the local stars long to see that baseline play alone was unprofitable for them, and Mrs. James promptly advanced to the forecourt, leaving two at the net and two at the baseline.

This was done just in the nick of time, for the next two games were divided, giving Shanghai a lead of 2-1. In the third set, which was stated, 5-4 and 40-15 in their favour, when three errors in suc-

cession lost them their chance of winning the match.

The Play.

The first game went to Hong Kong through errors and the second after some brilliant driving by Mrs. Miles and volleying by Miss Colloco. Shanghai took the third and fourth games by playing on the offensive. Miss Colloco scoring on her backhand and Mrs. Stafford Smith on all-round play. During the following four, which were squared, both pairs devoted themselves to driving, but Shanghai took the seventh and eighth through timely drop volleys by Miss Colloco and the steadiness of her partner. Mrs. Miles was in an aggressive mood in the ninth and drove hard for two placements but Mrs. Stafford Smith was not to be denied in the tenth and clinched the set at 6-4 due to splendid recoveries.

In the second chapter, excitement increased due to an improvement in play. Whereas a good number of points were lost in the first set on account of errors, there were now fairly long rallies with many placements. Hong Kong again took the first two games, in spite of spirited resistance. The driving and volleying was at its height in the third but there was a relief when Mrs. James commenced some heart-breaking lobs, which bounced near the baseline. Hong Kong was much superior when the attack of Shanghai was broken and took the set without the loss of a game.

A long volleying duel started the third set. The Hong Kong pair were victorious and eventually won the game but their opponents need them several times in the next to level the count. Beginning with the third game, Mrs. Stafford Smith refused to advance to the net and this proved so effective that Shanghai drew ahead to a 4-1 lead. All four were now playing brilliant tennis, although making errors at the same time. The local pair adopted the same formation in the sixth and some exciting rallies resulted, in which the visitors were outplayed. The following two were divided, giving Shanghai a 5-3 advantage. Hong Kong pressed to make 5-4.

At 40-15 in their favour, Miss Colloco and Mrs. Stafford Smith made three successive errors to lose the game and make 5 all. The score advanced to 7 all and then, with the spectators amidst tense excitement, Mrs. Miles and Mrs. James won the next two for set and match.

Men's Match.

The men's doubles was not as close as had been expected, but it was a spectacular game all the same, and only a little below the standard of the match in which the Rumjahns lost to Landry and Rodol by 6-7, 6-7. After the first set, which was a ding-dong struggle with the pair making the lesser errors coming out on top, the Rumjahns gave a display of hard hitting from all parts of the court. But what was most impressive was the way in which they worked their way up to the net on their opponents' service and then outplayed them for aces. In doing this, their speed and aggressiveness helped them a good deal, and they often turned a defensive shot an attack by following up their returns. During the process of this change, it was interesting to see the tables gradually turned, until either of the local pair would score with a shot faster than the previous one.

The aggressiveness of the Rumjahns at the baseline contributed a great deal to their triumph, for it was their ground strokes which made it possible for them to advance on the deliveries of the opposing pair. Lum was at all times equal to them in his driving but Canavaro was not up to the same standard. Even had Stanger's balls been used, it is not considered that he could have equalled the forehand drive and backhand slice of H. D. Rumjahn, taking it for granted that Lum and S. A. Rumjahn came off even in the backcourt.

How They Played.

As to the individual accomplishments of the four players, "H. D." was in his usual volleying mood, taking shots on the half volley as surely as he lobbed and catching his adversaries unawares by volleying shots which he not considered might have allowed to bounce first. His serve was fast and under good control at all times, with the result that he won nearly all of his service games. "S. A." was driving at his top form; he gave the opposing net players a lot of trouble and often forced them into error. He hit hard at all times, sparing neither energy nor effort to get into proper position, while some of the aces which he retrieved were good points but there were many mistakes in the bargain.

CRICKET NOTES.

REVIEW OF THE INTERPORT.

THE HOME SIDE.

Last week our minds were saturated with cricket, and it was perhaps a little difficult to form a clear judgment of facts. One could not see the wood for the trees. Now, however, a week has passed and we can sum up more fairly the lessons that may be learned from the past fortnight's cricket.

To-day I propose to deal with the Home Side and will subsequently publish articles on Malaya and Shanghai. There is no doubt that, as usual, we tended to underestimate our own players. We always knew that our batting was fairly strong, but curiously enough on several occasions, when it was a question of getting down to brass tacks, it was the tail batsmen who rescued us, and it is of them that I should like to speak first. Now, there are three sorts of bats in Hong Kong. There is the good bat who does it in the right way. There is the bad bat who does it in the wrong way. But there is also the bad bat who does the right thing in the wrong way. It is, no doubt, partly a result of our very short Saturday afternoon cricket. I can think of at least three good bowlers, Reed, Bowker and Wales, who are always humbly complaining that they are batsmen! As a matter of fact, what happens is, the time is so short that as a rule only our first four or five batsmen get a knock, if one is doing any good, and the bowlers don't go in. Other wise you are either up against a bad wicket, or very good bowling, or the situation is such that it is a question of hitting fours or sixes or getting out. The result is that your tail-end batsman gets very little practice and when he does go in, he gets rotten results as a rule. But it often happens that these batsmen, though not of polished style (I am not referring to the three gentlemen I mentioned particularly but to the general type, which is quite a large one) can keep the ball out of their wickets and the fieldsmen's hands, and get quite a lot of runs when they get the chance and the time! Personally, I was not particularly surprised at the way in which Bowker defended, and it was invaluable to the side. (Continued on next column.)

The Shanghai Men.

Although Lum's efforts did not have the usual sting, he showed up to advantage. At no time was he in an unfavourable light, compared with his opponents. His forehand was responsible for breaking up the accuracy of the Rumjahns and in the matter of stop volleys he was clearly way ahead of the others. In smashing, he was also brilliant and erratic in turns. Canavaro was seldom at his best during the whole match. His sharply angled volleys, in which he specializes, were not effective owing to the lack of speed, while many found the net.

Shanghai won the first game of the match after a rapid start, in which all four left the baseline to volley. The score was tied in the same way and then the visitors drew ahead once more through a number of kills and saves. Errors by the local pair gave another game to Shanghai, with the result that they led at 3-1. Each pair then won a game and Hong Kong broke through Lum's service to make 3-4. On "S. A.'s" service, Canavaro succeeded in bringing off some placements, but the score was tied at 4 all. The ninth and tenth were won and lost through mistakes on both sides and at 5 all Shanghai got into the lead again on two aces at the net. At 13-30, "H. D." snatched for a placement and held his delivery to bring the pairs even once more. The thirteenth game saw many brilliant ones sent across the court, with the Rumjahns having the advantage; they followed this up by capturing the fourteenth for the set, 8-6.

Hong Kong On Top.

The winning of the first set gave the Hong Kong pair much more confidence during the rest of the game and it had the reverse effect on the visitors, with the result that Hong Kong was on top during a large part of the remainder of the match. The Rumjahns won three straight games before Lum and Canavaro recovered from the shock and after dropping the fourth snatched the next three away through whirlwind tactics. The third set was a repetition of the second and resulted in the Hong Kong pair winning at 6-2. Shanghai were out-hit and out-run, and never looked like pulling up.

Major Lucas umpired both matches.

TO-DAY'S GAMES.

The programme for to-day, commencing at 2.15 p.m. is as follows: No. 1 Singles, Ladies: Mrs. Tottenham v. Miss Crawford. No. 1 Singles, Men: M. W. Lo v. Gordon Lum.

Take the last wicket stands against Shanghai. We put on 31 in the first innings and 52 in the second. In the first innings against Malaya, it put on 42. Bowker was concerned in all these stands and it is difficult to say how much our side owes him. Wyatt too, is a cricketer of many years experience and though you cannot call him a polished bat, he is very difficult to get out.

Fincher's Success.

But if our later batsmen did so much better than we expected, it must be admitted that there were one or two disappointments high up the list. E. C. Fincher thoroughly justified himself. He never really looked like getting out and scored 131 runs in his four innings. But beyond the total of runs, he steadily kept up his wicket at the beginning of the innings—a most valuable service as the wickets at the other end usually fell early. Brace had a bad spell and seemed to be entirely off colour. I cannot help thinking it must have been due to over-anxiousness to do well. His 36 against Malaya in the first innings was in his old manner but none of his other three knocks were. Pearce suffered from the fact that he had to keep wicket and not only was this a very tiring one, but his hands suffered considerably. However, his 30 in the second innings against Shanghai was a very fine knock and a much better one than the eleven he made in the first innings, before he had kept at all. However, if he had not made a single run, he would have been invaluable on the side as a wicket-keeper. There is not the slightest doubt that he was by far the best wicket-keeper of the three. In the four innings he made 7 catches and stumped one man, while in the whole four he only let 22 bays go. A really marvellous performance. When one looks at the several chances at the wicket put down by our opponents, one realizes that, but for Pearce, we might easily have lost both the matches. To the best of my knowledge the only mistakes he made were one dropped catch and one chance of stumping.

It is a wonderful record for a cricketer who has been representing Hong Kong for twenty-five years and I have dealt with it at length, as it must be remembered that all Pearce's instincts are those of a batsman and in keeping for the Colony, he sacrifices his own personal inclinations for the good of the side.

Hancock Out of Luck.

It is unfortunate that a slight recurrence of Hancock's illness prevented his captaining the side in both matches. Against Shanghai he was batting as confidently as ever, though he had very poor luck in the way he got out. I think he was very wise to move himself from the slips during the second innings of Shanghai. It has been fairly obvious that this season he is not seeing them with the quickness which for twenty-five years made him the finest first slip in the Far East.

Richardson showed something of his form in the second innings of the Malaya match and took full advantage of being dropped early. He evidently has no nerves, and when he settles down to his light and controls that cut off his middle and off sticks he will be a very useful man for the Colony.

Anderson did very much what I expected. He made one useful score, but failed when the situation was serious. This was only to be expected, from his age and lack of experience and the series of matches will have been of the greatest possible benefit to him. I expect to see him do much better at Shanghai next May.

If Owen Hughes could only lose his nerves, he would be a much more dangerous cricketer. He always seems shaky at the start, but plays finely after. One sees in him a worthy successor to Hancock and Pearce. On the whole his fielding has not been quite so brilliant this year, but the penalty of brilliance is that such a high standard is expected always. One says "Good Lord, Harry's dropped him!" when one would most probably be shouting "Oh, well tried, Sir!" to someone else! (A belated apology for stern criticism!) I deal with him as a bowler later.

Maxwell, to my mind, justified himself and I do not agree that he has no defence. He was a very good man to go in as the situation was in the second innings against Malaya. But I think he would field better in spikes! Both Musson and Reynolds did quite well. Both are a bit breezy. (I do not mean windy!) with the bat, and the latter's fifty was a triumph of opportunism. They are both good fields at cover, though not quite as good as Bowker or, I think, Reid.

Our Bowlers.

I do not like averages and figures as a rule, but I think it may be easier to follow matters if I publish our bowling analysis.

	Runs.	Per Wkt.
H. Owen	Hughes 14.5 2 48 6 8.00	
A. C. I.	Bowker 71.9 12 175 15 11.66	
W. Brace	48 8 114 8 14.25	
A. Reid	48 6 143 8 17.87	
Le-Coll Wynt 63	12 176 2 88.00	
Bowled in one innings only:—		
Chapman 11	Reynolds 10	
H. Musson, 2-1-50; D. J. N. Anderson, 3-2-8-0.		

The figures are interesting and show a good deal Owen Hughes was used, I thought, very skillfully. He is a bowler who should, in his present form at all events, be put on for very short spells—to be taken frequently in small doses. His unnatural off break is most upsetting at first, but loses a good deal of its sting when the batsman gets used to it.

Bowker's performance was wonderful. Owing to, or, as he will say, in spite of, the moral sunnion of brutal friends he bowled down to a length, after having been off one for at least a season. He steadily improved in the trials and bowled at his best in the Interports. He is an invaluable all-round fieldman now as well, in the side and I hope he will be so for many years.

Wyatt's analysis is a very good instance of how useless figures are in estimating value. The Colonel kept an end going when it was wanted, never getting really loose, and helped his Captain to manage the bowling at the other end as he wanted to. It is hard lines, perhaps, that he did not meet with more personal success, but he has the consolation of knowing that his bowling was really of great value to his side.

Brace, too, was most useful, and with his just-short-of-a-length stuff, kept runs down and got his two wickets per innings with mathematical regularity. If he could only eliminate that ball which pitches more than three inches clear of the leg stick he would, I feel sure, get more wickets, and certainly have far fewer runs taken off him.

Reid was another bowler who did better in the Interports than ever before. He suffered once or twice from being kept on an over or two too long, especially on the last day during the horrible period of a yet ball and no foothold! He fielded splendidly, but I should have liked to see a little less restraint about his batting. He can't defend and he can't hit.

The Ground.

As I think I have remarked before, the wicket played really splendidly. It has justified every penny that has been spent on it and the heartiest congratulations are due to all those who had the arrangement of the returning. It may not play like a bull-skill wicket, but it is quite as good as the average club wicket in England, and our visitors cannot claim that they were defeated by the wicket this time. It was a case of a well-balanced team winning.

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RUGBY FOOTBALL.

CLUB AND H.M.S. BERWICK SHARE HONOURS.

[By "STYX"]

An excellent match took place on Wednesday evening at Happy Valley between the Club and a team from the Berwick, which resulted in a draw, the Club gaining one try and the Berwick being successful with a penalty kick.

The match was certainly one of the best seen on the Club ground this season, and the Berwick, fielded a much stronger fifteen than on the last occasion.

Throughout the game play was of a very even nature, with the Club slightly in the ascendant, though they had little excuse for not placing a victory to their credit. From the kick-off the Club carried the ball to the Navy's half, but for some time did not look at all dangerous.

Ten minutes from the start, however, they were within an ace of scoring, a scrimmage taking place almost on the Navy's line. When the Club forwards appeared to be heeling it the ball was rashly picked up, with the result that a penalty kick was awarded to their opponents. From this they found touch well out of the danger-zone. Several minutes later the Club went through a very similar experience, a scrum being given in the same place. On this occasion the pack assumed a sandwich formation—with the Club each end!—and once again the pressure was relieved by a penalty.

Both sides were now playing vigorously though not scientifically. The respective defences were sound, and little was ever allowed to pass either of the full-backs. The half-time whistle found play in mid-field, neither side having yet opened their account.

A Lively Second Half.

The second half saw a slight improvement and was much more eventful than the first. Thirteen minutes from the resumption of play the Navy were awarded a penalty in front of the posts, from which they took the lead. Once again the kick was given against handling in the pack, which offence proved very expensive for the Club.

From this reverse the home side returned with renewed energy, and three minutes later had crossed their opponents' line close to the posts. This was the outcome of a short passing movement started by Plummer in the Navy's twenty-five, which enabled Ross to run over for a comparatively easy try. Holmes missed an easy kick at goal.

During the last few minutes the Club were continually taxing the Berwick's defence, but were unable to carry any movement to a successful finish—Holmes, in particular, having a fatal tendency to run across the field. Grieve was responsible for an excellent run of fifty clear yards on the left wing, during which he evaded nearly half of the opposing team and finished very close to the Navy's line. No-side followed shortly afterwards.

Of the players, Grieve undoubtedly gave the finest exhibition of Rugby and was never at fault. His opposite number, Allen, was sound, but not in the same class. It is difficult to pick and choose between either pack or their component members. All worked hard, but wasted considerable energy through not keeping an eye on the ball. The outside half had good and bad patches, and had obviously not played together on many occasions.

San Sebastian.—The Marques de Estella, the Spanish Prime Minister, entertained members of the Diplomatic Corps at luncheon in the old fishing town of Pasajes, near San Sebastian.

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MORE MEMBERS—OR
EXTINCTION.

An invitation to amateur gardeners, particularly those at Homuntin and Kowloon Tong to take part in the annual flower show conducted by the Hong Kong Horticultural Society was given by the Chairman of the Society, Mr. Ho Leung, when its annual meeting was held yesterday in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Besides the Chairman, there were present: Mr. J. A. H. Plummer, Mr. H. Green, Lieut.-Col. T. A. Robertson, Mr. Andrew Tse, Mrs. F. C. Hall and Mrs. R. M. Dyer.

THE CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH.

Addressing the meeting the Chairman said:—
Ladies and Gentlemen,—A detailed review of the financial position of the Society and of its activities during the past year appears to me to be unnecessary. You will have perused the leaflet issued by the Committee which contains their report and the statement of accounts. The latter are presented in such detail by the Society's hon. treasurer (Mr. J. A. H. Plummer), that no effort is needed to trace every cent that has been expended by the Society during the period June, 1928, to May, 1929. There is one item of \$321.70 outstanding since 1928, which certain members of the Committee have generously settled.

Dwindling Membership.

The dwindling membership is cause for sincere regret. A drop of 40 in a roll of 300 is sufficiently serious to compel an urgent and earnest appeal from the outgoing Committee to residents of Hong Kong and Kowloon to come to the aid of the Society by joining the Society. Without the enthusiastic support of ladies and gentlemen, despite every effort of the Committee, it will be impossible to keep the Society going. I hate to be pessimistic, but my colleagues agree with me that a warning note should now be sounded. Without a larger membership, the Hong Kong Horticultural Society is doomed to extinction. It will be a serious reflection on this community as being totally indifferent to the aesthetic amenities of nature if they permit the unselfish labours and disinterested efforts of enthusiastic workers of the past to become sterile in the inglorious passing of the Horticultural Society, which has been responsible, for many years, for the annual public display of the best and loveliest products from the private gardens of the Colony.

A Real Loss.

When I speak of the valuable assistance of those ladies and gentlemen who had rendered possible the annual show, the name that comes uppermost in my mind is that of Mr. Lawrence Gibbs, who had acted in the capacity of president, hon. secretary, and hon. treasurer, successfully, for many years. You will agree with me that Mr. Gibbs' departure from the Colony is a real loss to the Society.

An old resident of the Colony informed me that, as long ago as in the early 80's of the last century, exhibits for the annual Flower Show were received in Hong Kong from amateur gardeners at Yau-mat and Kowloon. I am told that the joint owners of "Delmer"—who, alas, are no longer amongst us—at Yau-mat and from the private gardens at Trimbalsau, on the mainland as well as from those of West Point, where King's College now stands, and from Pokfulam on the Island, a large collection of exhibits for the Flower Show came from our Portuguese and Chinese fellow-citizens. These examples of the past ought surely to be emulated.

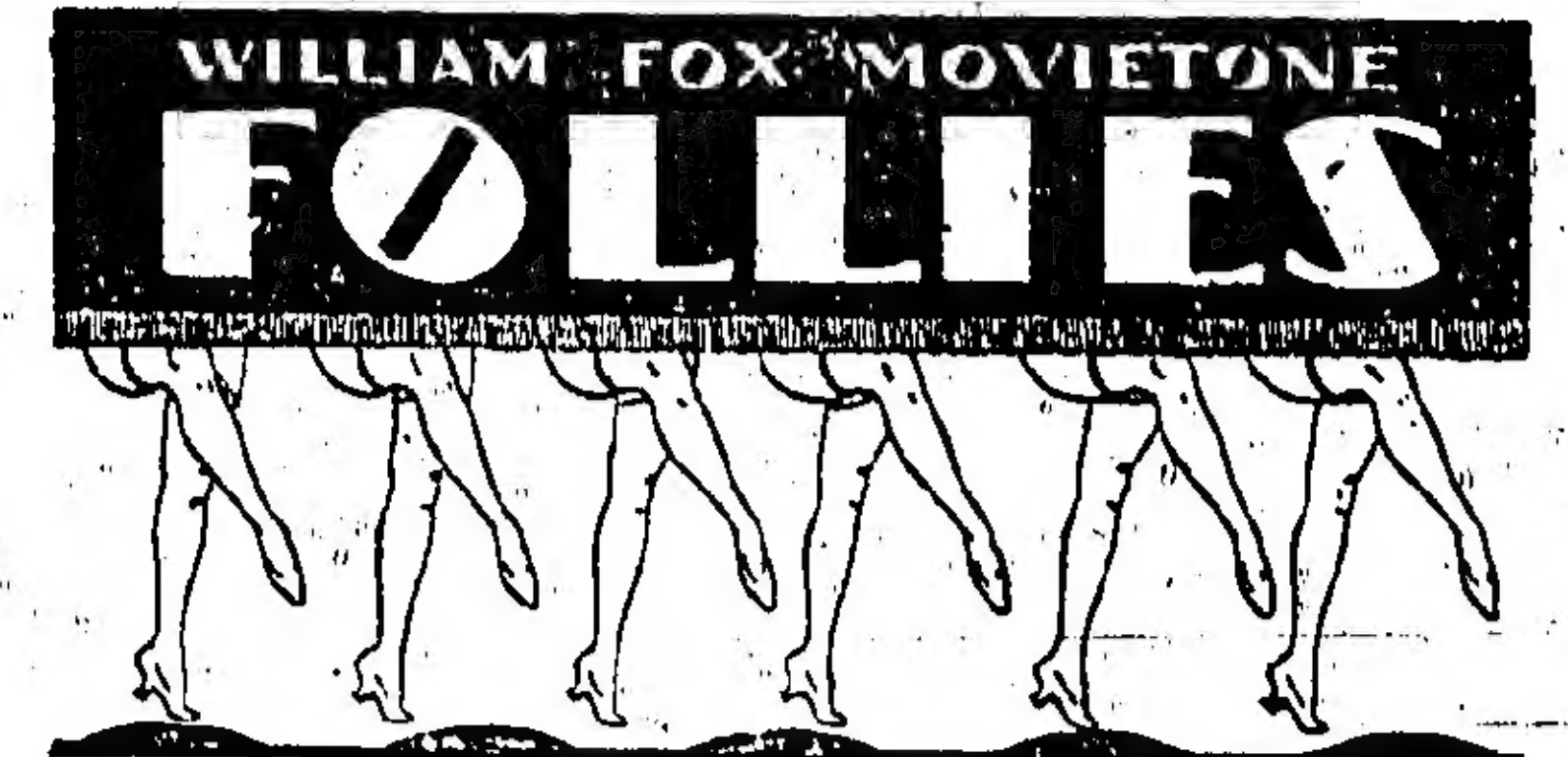
More Exhibits Wanted.

On behalf of the retiring Committee I earnestly appeal to residents of Homuntin and the Garden City of Kowloon Tong to vie with one another in rivalry to capture the best prizes for exhibits at the annual show. I realize the difficulty and expense of transportation; but I have no doubt the incoming Committee will offer every facility by means of motor-lorries and steam launches for the conveyance of exhibits from our friends across the harbour. I hope this appeal will not be made in vain, and visitors to the exhibition next Spring will be privileged to see the beauty and the pride of the exquisite flowers reared under the tender care of Homuntin and Kowloon Tong amateur gardeners of all nationalities. I hear their number is legion, and it needs but the stimulus of an earnest appeal for their modesty to be overcome by entering exhibits for competition.

Before I conclude, on behalf of the Committee I wish to thank Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. most heartily for the use of their Board room for the Society's meetings. Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews for conducting the accounts and to the hon. secretaries for time and labour devoted in the interest

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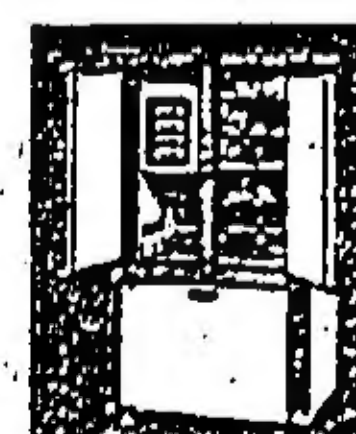
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of the Society. To H.E. the Governor, the Committee are most grateful for the practical sympathy with the activities of the Hong Kong Horticultural Society.

The reports and accounts were proposed by the Chairman, and seconded by the Col. Robertson, were carried unanimously. Prior to the election of officers for the ensuing year, Mr. Ho Leung observed that it seemed to him that it was a pity some of the members of the Committee could not see their way to come to the meeting, which was only once in a year. He expressed the opinion that a few lines in the Press may have the effect of bringing the absent committee-men to their sense of duty to the Society.

The New Officers.

Mrs. R. M. Dyer was elected President for the ensuing year. In making this proposition Mr. Ho Leung drew attention to Mrs. Dyer's long association with the Society and remarked on the keen interest which she always displayed.

Mrs. Dyer thanked the meeting and mentioned that the Chairman himself was a very enthusiastic member. Mr. J. A. H. Plummer was re-elected hon. secretary and treasurer and the following ladies and gentlemen were elected to serve on the Committee:—Mr. Ho Kong Tong, Mr. Ho Leung, Mr. J. T. Bageant, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Mr. H. Green, Mr. R. E. House, Mr. J. P. Robinson and Col. T. A. Robertson.

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EXCHANGE RATES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

	Rueby, Nov. 20.
Paris	123.88
New York	4.875
Brussels	34.683
Geneva	25.123
Amsterdam	12.085
Milan	93.14
Berlin	20.30
Stockholm	18.145
Copenhagen	18.205
Oslo	18.205
Vienna	34.655
Prague	18.41
Helsingfors	18.41
Madrid	35.025
Lisbon	108.25
Athens	275
Bucharest	617
Rio	5.25/32
Buenos Aires	46.7/32
Bombay	1/51
Shanghai	2/2
Yokohama	2/0 3/32
Silver (spot)	22 11/16
Silver (forward)	22 1/2

EXPECTED ARRIVALS AND MOVEMENTS.

Achilles due from Shanghai Dec. 8.	Kutsang due from Shanghai Nov. 20.
Akita Maru arrived from Singapore Nov. 19.	Lahr due from Shanghai Dec. 8.
Alipore due from Japan Dec. 19.	Larchbank due from Singapore Dec. 2.
Ammon due from Manila Nov. 22.	Malaya due from Shanghai Dec. 1.
Anchises due from Shanghai Dec. 3.	Malwa arrived from Europe Nov. 21.
Angers due from Europe Dec. 17.	Mirzapore due from Europe Dec. 20.
Annam due from Europe Dec. 15.	Morioka Maru due from Japan Nov. 23.
Antenor due from Europe Dec. 12.	Oldenburg due from Europe Dec. 4.
Antiochus due from Singapore Nov. 27.	Orestes due from Singapore Nov. 23.
Anyo Maru due from Singapore Dec. 20.	Perseus due from Japan Dec. 10.
Asama Maru due from Japan Dec. 3.	Pfalz due from Shanghai Nov. 20/30.
Athos II due from Japan Dec. 16.	Pres. Cleveland due from U.S.A. Dec. 18.
Bellerophon due from Europe Dec. 27.	Pres. Garfield due from Shanghai Dec. 23.
Beltana due from Japan Dec. 13.	Pres. Grant due from Shanghai Dec. 2.
Bennahr arrived from Singapore Nov. 21.	Pres. Jefferson due from Shanghai Nov. 22.
Buenos Aires Maru arrived from Japan Nov. 21.	Pres. Lincoln due from Shanghai Dec. 6.
Canada Maru due from Japan Dec. 2.	Pres. Madison due from Shanghai Dec. 20.
Canton due from Shanghai Dec. 20.	Pres. McKinley due from Manila Nov. 25.
Ceylon due from Hamburg Dec. 9.	Pres. Van Buren due from Shanghai Dec. 14.
Changte due from Australia Dec. 10.	Pres. Wilson due from Shanghai Nov. 30.
Chenoneaux due from Shanghai Dec. 2.	Radnorshire due from Europe Nov. 20.
City of Chester arrived from Europe Nov. 20.	Rajputana due from Europe Dec. 2.
City of Durham due from Europe Dec. 18.	Rawalpindi due from Japan Dec. 8.
City of Shanghai due from Shanghai Dec. 8.	Romolo due from Shanghai Nov. 20.
Comilbank due from Singapore Nov. 26.	Royal Prince arrived Boston Nov. 12.
Cyclops due from Japan Dec. 20.	Saarbrücken due from Europe Dec. 21.
D'Artagnan due from Europe Dec. 2.	Saarländ due from Shanghai Dec. 2.
Dakur Maru due from Japan Dec. 25.	Sado Maru due from Japan Dec. 10.
Danmark due from Europe Nov. 25.	Sarpedon due from Shanghai Nov. 25.
Dollus due from Europe Dec. 1.	Shantung due from Swatow Nov. 25.
Durham Maru due from Singapore Nov. 24.	Siam Prince due from New York Dec. 3.
Emp. of Asia arrived Vancouver Nov. 18.	St. Albans due from Australia Dec. 6.
Empress of Canada due from Shanghai Dec. 27.	Taiyo Maru due from Dec. 16.
Emp. of Russia due from Manila Nov. 25.	Takada due from Singapore Dec. 19.
Ermland due from Europe Dec. 23.	Takliwa due from Japan Dec. 12.
Pushimi Maru due from Singapore Nov. 24.	Talmamba due from Singapore Dec. 8.
Genoa Maru due from Singapore Nov. 26.	Talma due from Japan Nov. 21.
Gleniffer due from Shanghai Dec. 23.	Talysbius due from Europe Dec. 17.
Glenogle due from Europe Dec. 6.	Tanda due from Japan Nov. 27.
Glenishane due from Europe Dec. 22.	Tango Maru arrived from Manila Nov. 21.
Hakone Maru due from Japan Dec. 13.	Tatras due from Singapore Nov. 23.
Havelland due from Europe Dec. 16.	Teuter due from Japan Nov. 27.
Hilda due from Europe Dec. 23.	Tilawa due from Singapore Nov. 20.
Himalaya due from Europe Nov. 23.	Tijakarak due from Java Nov. 26.
Ilmar due from Europe Dec. 24.	Tjikarak due from Amoy Nov. 30.
Isar due from Europe Dec. 3.	Tjilak due from Java Nov. 22.
Jeypore due from Europe Dec. 8.	Toku Maru due from Japan Nov. 26.
Kambo due from Singapore Dec. 7.	Toku Maru due from Japan Nov. 26.
Kasado Maru arrived from Japan Nov. 18.	Urbino due from Europe Dec. 10.
Kashgar due from Shanghai Nov. 22.	Venezia due from Shanghai Dec. 9.
Kashima Maru due from Shanghai Nov. 23.	Viminale due from Europe Dec. 9.
Khiva due from Europe Dec. 20.	Wakasa Maru due from Japan Dec. 5.
Khyber due from Singapore Nov. 23.	Yokohama Maru due from Japan Dec. 2.
Koenigsberg due from Europe Nov. 23.	
Kulmerland due from Shanghai Nov. 23.	
Kumsang due from Shanghai Nov. 23.	

NAVAL & MILITARY NOTES.

COURT MARTIAL ON WARRANT OFFICER.

At a general Court-martial at Whittington Barracks, Lichfield, Liaward Claude Victor Hogan, warrant officer and permanent staff instructor of the 8th Battalion, The North Staffordshire Regiment, was found guilty of striking a superior officer in the course of his duties at Burton-on-Trent Drill Hall and of absconding himself for four days without leave. Captain Percy Stodhart, Adjutant of the 8th Battalion, The North Staffordshire Regiment, said that when he told the accused that his application had been made for him to report to the 2nd Battalion, he suddenly exclaimed, "I don't care what happens. I am fed up with the job," at the same time striking the witness twice in the face with his fists causing him to bleed freely from the forehead and right ear. Hogan told the Court that during a conversation with Captain Stodhart he asked him for two hours' leave to see his wife, who was dangerously ill. The captain jumped up and grasped a ruler off his desk with which to strike him, saying, "Don't bring your wife's illness here!" The accused did not wait for him to hit him, but struck the ruler out of his hands. As Captain Stodhart again refused permission for him to see his wife, he went without permission. The accused was given an exemplary character, and it was pointed out that he was within two months of completing 21 years' service.

Among the many notable apartments in London which are undergoing their annual overhaul just now is the famous old Board Room at the Admiralty, where during the war very momentous decisions were taken and there were assembled at one time and another some of the most famous of our naval heads. This room remains in much the same condition as it was in the days of Nelson, whose portrait adorns one wall, and is directly faced by a similar painting of William IV, in his naval uniform. A very interesting feature that dates back to the days of Napoleon

ADVICE FOR INVESTORS.

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is a wind gauge that can still be seen working, indicating how the wind is blowing between this country and France. It is a tradition that this was installed at the suggestion of Nelson. On the huge table itself the blotters are all stamped Enchantress, the name of the official yacht of the Board of Admiralty. There is some magnificent carving running round this handsome apartment, being some of the finest work of the famous Grinling Gibbons.

The Malaya, battleship, will arrive at Devonport about November 22.

Surgeon-Comdr. T. B. Dixon, R.N.V.R., of 11, Pembroke Road, Clifton, Bristol, has been appointed Admiralty Surgeon and Agent for Bristol, vice Dr. J. C. Heaton (deceased).

The Adamant and vessels of the Second Submarine Flotilla which are with the Atlantic Fleet in the Mediterranean, while the latter vessel has been undergoing refitting at Malta, has resumed duties as depot ship of the Second Submarine Flotilla.

The Lucia, which has replaced the Cyclops as depot ship of the First Submarine Flotilla in the Mediterranean, while the latter vessel has been undergoing refitting at Malta, has resumed duties as depot ship of the Second Submarine Flotilla.

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PASSENGERS.

Arrivals.

The following passengers arrived yesterday by the R.M.S. Empress of Russia, from Vancouver and the North:—For Hong Kong: Sir J. and Lady Aird, Miss Aird, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Bush, Master Bush, Mr. F. W. D. Bannister, Dr. R. A. Basto, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Benson, Mrs. W. A. Cameron, Master K. Cameron, Mr. C. Y. Chen, Mr. A. Chen, Mr. G. Chie, Mrs. S. Chan, Mr. Chang Kwei Man, Mr. C. Crumpacker, Mr. C. Cherry, Miss L. Bell, Mr. A. A. Bruesard, Mrs. L. A. Eggeston, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Essen, Mrs. A. Emmerton, Mr. and Mrs. C. Fairhurst, Mr. H. S. Fitz Roy, Mr. and Mrs. Fung Chung Tong, Mr. C. C. Fong, Sir A. Gibb, Mr. P. O. Gain, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Goh, Mr. C. C. Gau, Mr. and Mrs. H. Humphreys, Mr. C. B. Hadden, Mr. and Mrs. P. K. Hsu, Mr. D. H. Hazell, Mr. T. Z. Hsia, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Hilderson and four children, Mr. S. C. Jim, Mr. L. T. Kwok, Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Kwok, Mr. Y. T. King, Mr. T. S. Khoo, Mr. W. H. Lau, Mr. F. Lowe, Mr. S. B. Lee, Mr. H. H. Lee, Mr. K. C. Lee, Mrs. B. J. Lacey, Mrs. A. Moutrie, Mr. K. P. Mark, Mrs. G. Gibson, Mrs. G. Heintzman, Mrs. McLamore and infant, Mrs. J. K. McKeekin, Mr. A. McColm, Miss L. Nyulasy, Mr. S. Negami, Mr. N. G. Niehous, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Parker, Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Pitkin, Mr. W. Pitkin, Miss E. Pitkin, Miss D. Pan, Mrs. M. Reid, Mr. W. E. Smith, Mr. M. C. Smith, Mr. G. C. Stileman, Mr. J. Swingle, Mr. and Mrs. Y. C. Shan, Mr. L. F. Shen, Mr. Shu Ming On, Mrs. C. Thwaites, Mr. Y. L. Tong, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. T. Tam, Mr. P. A. Tong, Mr. J. R. Thompson, Mr. P. A. Wright, Mr. Y. F. Woo, Miss S. Yung, Mr. S. Y. Yung, Mr. E. Zoumeroff, Mr. H. C. Arnold, Mr. G. H. Brown, Mr. E. C. Muhs, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Brown, Mr. W. J. E. Binnie, Mr. G. H. Biggs, Dr. N. Bradley, Mr. N. T. Braver, Miss S. Browning, Miss A. D. Cole, Mrs. E. J. Clarke, Mr. J. de Gala, Dr. W. H. Dobson, Mrs. S. Fuyang, Miss V. Eastman, Mr. and Mrs. H. Hall, Mrs. L. F. Ho, Mrs. J. F. Hsu, Mrs. H. Hu, Mr. S. D. Hsu, Mrs. S. Ho, Mr. M. Ivanoff, Mr. S. Jun, Mrs. V. Lake, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. C. Legge, Mr. Li Kim Min, Miss F. H. Lee, Master P. Lee, Mrs. W. Lee, Mrs. W. T. Lee, Mrs. S. Liang, Mr. B. S. Loo, Mrs. Y. T. Loo, Mr. C. M. Lum, Mr. Y. C. Loo, Mr. C. Mettram, Mr. Y. M. Ng, Miss D. Oliver, Miss E. Strickland, Mrs. L. L. Shu, and infant, Mr. C. D. Stoppin, Mr. K. A. Sun, Mr. Y. H. Tiao, Mrs. K. J. Teila-Zumkoff, Misses Teila-Zumkoff (two), Miss C. West-Watson, Mrs. H. Wei, Miss S. F. Wong, Mrs. Y. Wong, Mr. T. W. Wong, Mr. H. Yung, Miss Yung, Mr. X. C. Yu, Mr. A. S. Yu, Mr. K. S. Yang, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Yang, and Miss Yuan Yuet Chue. For Manila: Mr. K. Adachi, Mr. E. A. Cleveland, Major D. Campbell, Mr. T. S. Arden, Mr. G. H. Dawson, Miss E. Fairbairn, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. R. Fairbairn, Mr. J. C. Guddalope, Mr. I. Hashimoto, Mr. Hu Peh Yang, Mrs. F. Kogi, Mr. J. H. Larmouth, Mr. P. L. Lorisgnol, Mrs. K. Rice, Master Rice, Mrs. E. C. Ross, Mrs. H. L. Richards, Mrs. I. H. Smith, Mr. M. Tsuruda, Mr. and Mrs. L. Thayer, Col. and Mrs. J. N. Wolfson, Miss M. Wolfson, Mrs. J. V. Aligned, Master Aligned, Capt. and Mrs. A. J. Barnett, Major and Mrs. W. A. Cophorne, Mrs. E. Z. Clourmen, Miss Clourmen, Rev. E. Derfler, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Eschbach, Miss M. A. Eschbach, Mr. L. S. Fey, Mrs. M. S. Hooper, Lieut. and Mrs. L. C. Jaynes, Mr. S. L. Kidder, Mr. and Mrs. C. Nabeta, Mr. and Mrs. K. Nabeta, Mrs. I. Pregoda, Mrs. R. N. Priogoda, Major and Mrs. R. A. Sharer, Mr. and Mrs. J. Tremblay, Mr. R. Tremblay, Misses D. and V. Tremblay, Mr. P. Takane, Mr. G. Uematsu, Mr. and Mrs. M. Uemura, Miss M. T. Whyte, Mr. V. M. Vassineff, and Mr. G. F. Yang.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'s STEAMER "MALWA."

ARRIVED HONG KONG ON 21st NOVEMBER, 1929.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, GIBRALTAR, MARSEILLES, MALTA, PORTSAID, ADEEN, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each Consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and Delivery can be obtained as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless Instructions have been given to the contrary Six hours before arrival of the Steamer.

Goods not cleared within 8 days including date of arrival will be subject to Rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees, and the Company's Surveyors Messrs. Goddard & Douglas at 10 a.m. on Mondays and Thursdays, within the Free Storage period.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before 11th December, 1929, or they will not be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown.

MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & Co., Agents. Hong Kong, 21st Nov., 1929. [8855]

HAMBURG AMERICA LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamer "AMMON" having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where Delivery can be obtained as the Goods are landed.

Optional Cargo will be landed unless Notice has been given prior to Steamer's arrival.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 29th November, 1929, will be subject to Rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on 23rd November, 1929, at 10 a.m. by our Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

All Claims must reach us before the 14th December, 1929, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Underwriter.

JEBSEN & CO., Agents. Hong Kong, 22nd Nov., 1929. [8653]

SERVICES CONTRACTUALS DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEE NOTICE.

S.S. "ATOS II."

ARRIVED HONG KONG ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20th, 1929.

FROM MARSEILLES, etc., AND ALSO BRINGING CARGO FROM LA PALLOIS, BORDEAUX, COGNAC, etc., Ex S.S. "GONNEVILLE" and "CHEF. M. MAILHOT."

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods will be landed and placed at their risk in the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where Delivery can be obtained as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared within 7 days including date of arrival will be subject to Rent.

All Claims must be sent to the Underwriter before Friday, the 29th November, 1929, or they will not be recognised.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas at 10 a.m. on Monday, the 25th November, 1929.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

L. LESDOS, Agent. Hong Kong, 20th Nov., 1929. [8648]

PRINCE LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK.

THE Motor Vessel "JAPANESE PRINCE" having arrived from the above Port on 20th instant, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Tuesday, 26th instant, at 10 a.m.

All Claims must be presented within 15 Days of the Vessel's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 27th instant, will be subject to Rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

FURNESS (FAR EAST) LTD., Agents. Hong Kong, 20th Nov., 1929. [8649]

DAILY SHARE QUOTATIONS.

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

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SWATOW & SHANGHAI	... "KANCEOW" On 24th Nov.	10 a.m.
HONGKONG	... "TAIYUAN" On 24th Nov.	10 a.m.
SWATOW, WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	... "KUEICHOW" On 24th Nov.	10 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	... "RIUNGCHOW" On 24th Nov.	11 a.m.
SWATOW, AMOI, SWATOW & S'PORE	... "ANTUNG" On 25th Nov.	6 p.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	... "SEANTUNG" On 25th Nov.	Daylight
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	... "CHENGTOU" On 25th Nov.	10 a.m.
HONGKONG, FAKHOI & HAIPHONG	... "CHERKIANG" On 25th Nov.	Daylight
SWATOW & BANGKOK	... "KALGAN" On 1st Dec.	11 a.m.
SWATOW, AMOI, SWATOW & S'PORE	... "ANHUI" On 2nd Dec.	3 p.m.
HONGKONG, SINGAPORE & BANGKOK	... "KWANGTUNG" On 3rd Dec.	11 a.m.
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STATION	HONG KONG OBSERVATORY	NOVEMBER 20, 1929.					NOVEMBER 21, 1929.				
		Barometer at Sea Level	Thermometer	Humidity	Direction	Force	Barometer at Sea Level	Thermometer	Humidity	Direction	Force
Wladivostok	12	29.80	757.0	43	SE	2	30.13	765.2	20	NW	5
Nemuro	11	30.08	764.0	...	SW	3	29.73	755.0	...	S	1
Hokodate	...	30.00	762.0	...	W	3	29.76	756.0	...	WSW	3
Tokio	...	30.14	765.5	...	N	1	30.00	762.0	...	WSW	1
Kochi	...	30.20	767.0	...	...	0	30.12	765.0	...	...	0
Nagasaki	...	30.20	767.0	...	ESE	3	30.10	764.5	...	SE	1
Kagoshima	...	30.20	767.0	...	ENE	1	30.10	764.5	...	NW	1
Oshima	...	30.12	765.0	...	...	0	30.08	764.0	...	...	0
Naha	...	30.10	764.5	...	NE	1	30.02	762.5	...	ENE	1
Ishigakijima	...	30.10	764.5	...	...	0	30.02	762.5	...	ENE	1
Ronin Island	...	30.04	763.0	...	...	0	30.02	762.5	...	...	0
Chefoo	13	30.12	765.0	47	NNE	2	30.26	768.6	40	N	2
Shanghai	14	30.08	764.1	66	SSW	1	30.17	766.2	50	NNW	1
Gutzlaff	...	30.15	765.8	60	...	0	30.21	767.3	52	NNW	1
Sharp Peak	...	30.07	763.8	69	...	0	30.03	763.2	64	...	0
Amoy	...	29.97	761.2	70	SSE	4	30.03	763.2	64	SSW	2
Swatow	...	29.97	761.2	68	E	2	30.00	762.0	61	NE	1
Taiheku	11	30.07	763.8	77	ESE	1	30.05	763.2	61	...	0
Taihu	...	30.10	764.4	75	NNW	2	30.06	763.5	61	...	0
Tainan	...	30.06	763.5	81	NNF	2	30.02	762.6	61	...	0
Koshun	...	30.08	763.2	77	NNE	4	30.00	762.0	64	...	0
Pescadore	...	30.18	764.1	73	NNE	4	30.04	762.9	68	NNE	2
Hong Kong	14	29.99	761.7	72	SE	3	30.04	763.0	67	...	0
Gap Rock	...	30.00	762.0	...	ENE	4	30.04	763.0	...	NE	4
Macao	...	29.97	761.1	79	SE	2	30.01	762.3	64	NNE	2
Hoihow	...	29.96	761.0	75	NE	5	29.99	761.7	74	NE	4
Pratas Island	...	29.97	761.1	79	SSE	2	30.03	762.7	70	NE	4
Phulien	15	29.91	759.6	82	NW	2	29.96	761.0	72	W	2
Touraine	...	29.93	760.2	73	NE	4	29.94	760.5	73	NE	4
Cape St. James	14	29.87	758.7	89	ENE	4	29.89	759.3	75	ENE	4
Banco	...	29.79	756.6	90	NE	2	29.82	757.5	75	NE	1
Aparri	...	29.76	756.0	84	ENE	2	29.79	756.6	79	NE	2
Tuguegarao	...	29.73	755.1	86	NE	6	29.78	756.3	73	W	2
Vigan	...	29.73	755.1	79	...	0	29.78	756.3	77	...	0
Manila	...	29.73	755.1	79	...	0	...	...	...	...	0
Legaspi	...	29.73	755.1	79	...	0	...	...	...	...	0
Calbayog	...	29.73	755.1	79	...	0	...	...	...	...	0
Tacloban	...	29.73	755.1	79	...	0	...	...	...	...	0
Davao	...	29.73	755.1	79	...	0	...	...	...	...	0
Cebu	...	29.73	755.1	79	...	0	...	...	...	...	0
Surigao	...	29.73	755.1	79	...	0	...	...	...	...	0
Palawan	...	29.73	755.1	79	...	0	...	...	...	...	0
Guam	19.22	29.65	753.0	...	NF	4	29.67	753.6	...	N	2
Yap	11.00	29.65	753.0	...	ENE	2	...	...	...	...	0
Pelew	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ponape	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Labuan	14	29.82	767.4	86	NE	7	29.86	768.4	78	...	...

November 21d. 10h. 53m.—The anticyclone has passed into the Pacific, and another is developing to the northwest of Shanghai. The depression remains to the north of Hokkaido. Fresh monsoon will prevail along the China coast and over the northern China Sea. Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1, 69.40 inches, against an average of 81.61 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON ON NOVEMBER 22.

- 1.—Formosa Channel
- 2.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Lamock
- 3.—Hong Kong to Gap Rock
- 4.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Hainan

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HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, November 21

Day	at 4 p.m.	at 10 a.m.	at 4 p.m.
Barometer	29.97	30.01	30.00
Temperature	71	74	73
Humidity	59	67	71
Wind	E	Calin	ENE
Direction	E	Calin	ENE
Force	3	0	0
Weather	0	0	0
Rain	0.00	0	0.00

Highest open-air Temperature, 79.72
Lowest open-air Temperature, 21.66

B=Blue sky; C=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F=Fog; L=Lightning; M=Mist; O=Overcast; P=Passing showers; Q=Squalls; R=Rain; T=Thunder.

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From November 22 to 28, 1929.

High Water. Low Water.

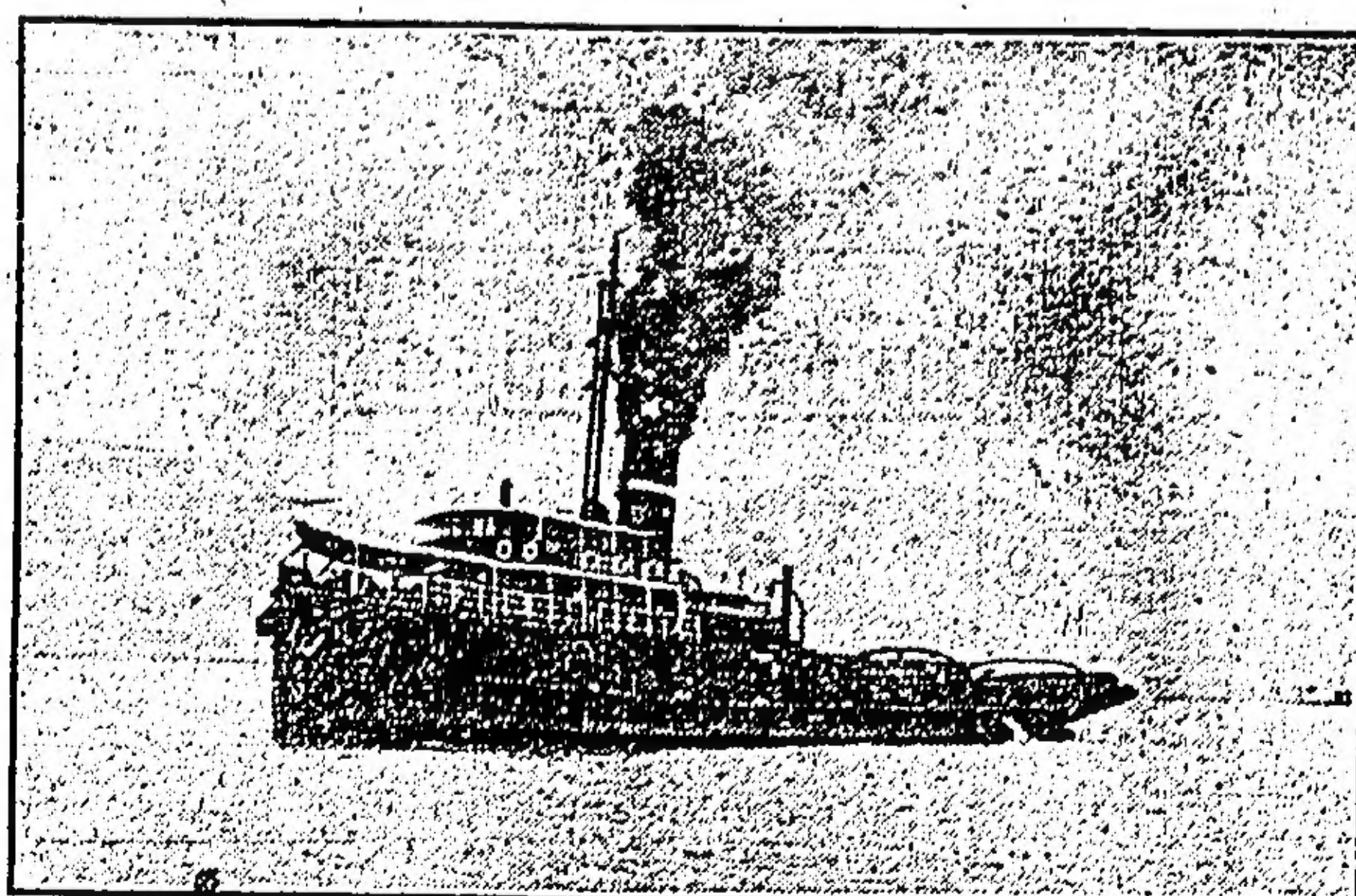
Days of Week	Date	High Water	Low Water
Fri.	22	h. m. 4 19 a.m.	h. m. 8 14 a.m.
Sat.	23	h. m. 4 13 a.m.	h. m. 8 26 a.m.
Sun.	24	h. m. 4 7 a.m.	h. m. 8 34 a.m.
Mon.	25	h. m. 4 1 a.m.	h. m. 8 44 a.m.
Tues.	26	h. m. 3 55 a.m.	h. m. 8 54 a.m.
Wed.	27	h. m. 3 49 a.m.	h. m. 9 04 a.m.
Thurs.	28	h. m. 3 43 a.m.	h. m. 9 14 a.m.

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	"FOOSHING"	Wed., 27th Nov., at 7 a.m.
	"WAISHING"	Sun., 1st Dec., at 7 a.m.
	"HOPSANG"	Wed., 4th Dec., at 7 a.m.
OSAKA via AMOI, MOI & KOBE	"NAMSANG"	Fri., 29th Nov., at 7 a.m.
	"YUENSANG"	Fri., 6th Dec., at 7 a.m.
	"SUISANG"	Wed., 18th Dec., at 7 a.m.
	"KUMSANG"	Tues., 31st Dec., at 7 a.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"HOSANG"	Mon., 2nd Dec., at 3 p.m.
	"KUTSANG"	Satur., 28th Dec., at 3 p.m.
SANDAKAN	"MAUSANG"	Satur., 30th Nov., at 3 p.m.
TIENTSIN via FOCHOW & WEI-HAI-WEI	"CHEONGSHING"	Thurs., 28th Nov., at 7 a.m.
	"CHIPSING"	Thurs., 12th Dec., at 7 a.m.

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EMPERESS OF ASIA...Dec. 18	Dec. 21	Dec. 24	Dec. 27	Jan. 4
EMPERESS OF CANADA...Jan. 15	Jan. 18	Jan. 21	Jan. 24	Jan. 31
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA...Feb. 12	Feb. 15	Feb. 18	Feb. 21	Mar. 1
EMPERESS OF ASIA...Mar. 5	Mar. 8	Mar. 11	Mar. 14	Mar. 22
EMPERESS OF CANADA...Mar. 19	Mar. 22	Mar. 25	Mar. 28	Apr. 4
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA...Apr. 9	Apr. 12	Apr. 15	Apr. 18	Apr. 26
EMPERESS OF ASIA...Apr. 30	May 3	May 6	May 9	May 17
EMPERESS OF CANADA...May 15	May 18	May 21	May 24	May 30
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA...June 4	June 7	June 10	June 13	June 21
EMPERESS OF ASIA...June 25	June 28	July 1	July 4	July 12
EMPERESS OF CANADA...July 10	July 13	July 16	July 19	July 27
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA...Aug. 2	Aug. 5	Aug. 8	Aug. 11	Aug. 19
EMPERESS OF ASIA...Aug. 20	Aug. 23	Aug. 26	Aug. 29	Sept. 6
EMPERESS OF CANADA...Sept. 4	Sept. 7	Sept. 10	Sept. 13	Sept. 21
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA...Sept. 18	Sept. 21	Sept. 24	Sept. 27	Oct. 5
EMPERESS OF ASIA...Oct. 2	Oct. 5	Oct. 8	Oct. 11	Oct. 17
EMPERESS OF CANADA...Oct. 15	Oct. 18	Oct. 21	Oct. 24	Oct. 31
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA...Nov. 12	Nov. 15	Nov. 18	Nov. 21	Nov. 29

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Shipping News

Daily Statement. Waterfront News, etc.

YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

IMPORTS 8,600 TONS;

THROUGH CARGO

11,750 TONS.

Cargo returns shown at the

Harbour Office during the 24 hours

ended at 9 a.m. yesterday by vessels

arriving in Hong Kong were as

follow:—

British

Singapore 600

Japanese Prince

Singapore 150

American

New Orleans 340

Liberator

Haiphong 1,800

Dux, Bangkok 1,900

Japanese

Buenos Aires 370

Harunasan Maru

Mike 4,000

Sagami Maru

Keelung 270

Chinese

Tak Hing

Macao 70

Arrivals

8,600

Through

11,750

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

The arrivals and departures during

the period under review were

as follows:—

British

Japanese

Norwegian

Chinese

Dutch

French

Portuguese

American

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ASIATIC DECK PASSENGERS.

The following vessels brought

Asiatic deck passengers to the

Colon during the 24 hours ended

at 9 a.m. yesterday:—

Haidis (British), Singapore

Hoilow

Dux (Norwegian), Bangkok

Chenan (British), Canton

Dei Maru (Japanese), Canton

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WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following warships were in

port yesterday:—

Basin—Tamar, Marazion, Mag-

nolia, Cicela.

North Arm—Seraph.

In Dock—Stormcloud, Sirdar,

Bruce.

No. 1 buoy—Hermes.

No. 5 buoy—Cornwall.

No. 8 buoy—Berwick.

No. 7 buoy—Seraph.

No. 11 buoy—Seymour.

No. 12 buoy—Thracian.

Whampoa Dock—Somme.

No foreigners.

DAILY WATERFRONT NEWS.

WUCHOW BLOCKADE.

NOTICE TO WEST RIVER

MASTERS.

A notification to Mariners has

been issued by the Harbour Master,

Commander G. F. Hole stating that

information has been received that

a blockade of the West River has

been established between Wuchow

and Samshui and that mines will

be laid between Dosing and Sam-

shui.

Ships clearing for Wuchow are

warned that they should keep clear

of the Zone of Military Operations.

Two Deaths on Empress Boat.

Two deaths, one from kidney

disease and one from strangulation,

are reported to have occurred on

the s.s. Empress of Asia during the

voyage from Vancouver and Shang-

hai.

New Ship Arrives.

The Onaka Shosen Kaisha motor

vessel Buenos Aires Maru arrived

here yesterday from Yokohama and

Shanghai on her maiden voyage.

The vessel, which is moored to buoy

A.1 is an extremely handsome ship,

with graceful lines and a cruiser

stern which gives her an appear-

ance of speed. Details of the vessel

have already appeared in the

columns of the Daily Press.

SHIPS IN HARBOUR.

The following ships were in har-

bour yesterday:—

Wharves:—Kowloon: Empress of

Asia, Takliwa, Shinyo Maru,

Tango Maru; Socony, Laichikok;

Tymerie; Chiu On; Hydrangea;

China Merchants; Taiposek; Jar-

dine; Matheson's; Canton Maru;

Douglas, Lapraik; Haining.

Docks:—Kowloon: Prosper, Tha-

long, Venezia, Chak Sang, Kulam-

bukan; Tinkoo; Tyndarus; Kwei-

yang; Yuet On, Kalgan, Ichang,

Seang Bee.

Buoys:—At Buenos Aires Maru,

A2 Tyndarus, A4 Shinyo Maru, A5

Shidzuka Maru, A6 Tjikarang, A8

Taiyuan, B9 Kungchow, A10

Liberator, B11 Chinhu, B12 Soc-

chow, C14 Fukujo Maru, C15 Pro-

minent, B21 Chenan, A26 City of

Winnipeg, C33 Kwei Sang, C35

Dux, C37 Kweichow, C39 Prosper,

C40 Halvard, C41 Havdrot, C43

Haidis, C48 Sagami Maru, B34

Apoc.

YACHTS:—Derwent, Lyeemoon,

Telemachus, Hin Sang, Erviken,

Harunasan Maru.

CLEARANCES.

Benmohr, for Shanghai.

Buenos Aires Maru, for Singapore.

Chenan, for Amoy.

Emp. of Russia, for Manila.

Fochow, for Canton.

Hydrangea, for Swatow.

Kanchow, for Canton.

Kueichow, for Canton.

Malwa, for Shanghai.

Ravenhill, for Shanghai.

Sagami Maru, for Canton.

Shinnok Maru, for Singapore.

Soochow, for Canton.

Tai Poo Sek, for K. C. Wan.

Takliwa, for Amoy.

Tango Maru, for Nagasaki.

ARRIVALS.

November 20.

Buenos Aires Maru, Kapanese str.,

5,534 tons, Capt. T. Taimashi,

from Kobe, buoy No. A1—

O.S.K.

Sagami Maru, Japanese str., 1,068

tons, Capt. Matsuchita, from

Keelung, buoy No. C49—

M.B.K.

Shinnok Maru, Japanese str., 4,888

